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CHINA SUGARS HEAVY LOSSES.

TO-DAY'S MEETING.

Hope For a Better Next Year.

A "lean" year and one which they would have to take along with the fat ones was how Father Robert described the workings of the China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., for the past year at the annual meeting to-day at which a heavy loss was reported.

Mr. B. D. F. Beith presided over the meeting, supported by Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Mr. H. P. White, the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Solicitor, Mr. E. B. L. Hornell, Secretary, and Mr. G. M. Shaw, Manager. The following shareholders were present: Messrs. J. P. Wright, Chao Po-min, J. Baptista, Ho Leung, J. Fleming, Chao Po-sien, Chao Shui-ki, Ho Ki, R. E. Macdonald, A. A. Alves, E. F. Annett, H. Birkett, F. M. Ellis, P. M. P. de Graen, J. F. Grose, Ho Kwong, Ho Shui-ki, H. E. Hollands, A. A. Lopez, G. H. Piercy, Father Robert, C. Seward-Benedict, L. A. Tobias, and J. F. Wright.

The Chairman said:—The report and statement of accounts for the year ended December 31, 1924, having been in your hands for some time past, I will, with your permission, take them as read.

It is with great regret that I have to place before you such an unsatisfactory account for the past year, so greatly in contrast to the one presented to you by my predecessor a year ago, but it affords only another forcible illustration of the very uncertain and fluctuating nature of the particular business in which the Company is engaged.

Adverse trading conditions, in China, as well as a steady fall in sugar values, throughout the world could only result in one thing, and that was a loss to Sugar Refiners, but as all of you who are engaged in a trade where it is a question of keeping your manufactures before the public, and maintaining old connections are aware, occasions will arise when you must be prepared to spend money to keep in the trade and prevent outsiders establishing themselves therein.

In order to liquidate the amount at debit of Profit and Loss Account of \$1,732,155.28, after deducting the figure brought forward from last year, (i.e. \$40,763.76), your General Agents and Consulting Committee recommend the following amounts should be utilised:—\$1,000,000 from Sugar Fluctuation Account; \$600,000 from Equalisation of Dividend Fund; \$100,000 from Exchange Fluctuation Account; and carry forward a balance of \$32,155.28 to next year's account, and I trust this will have the approval of shareholders.

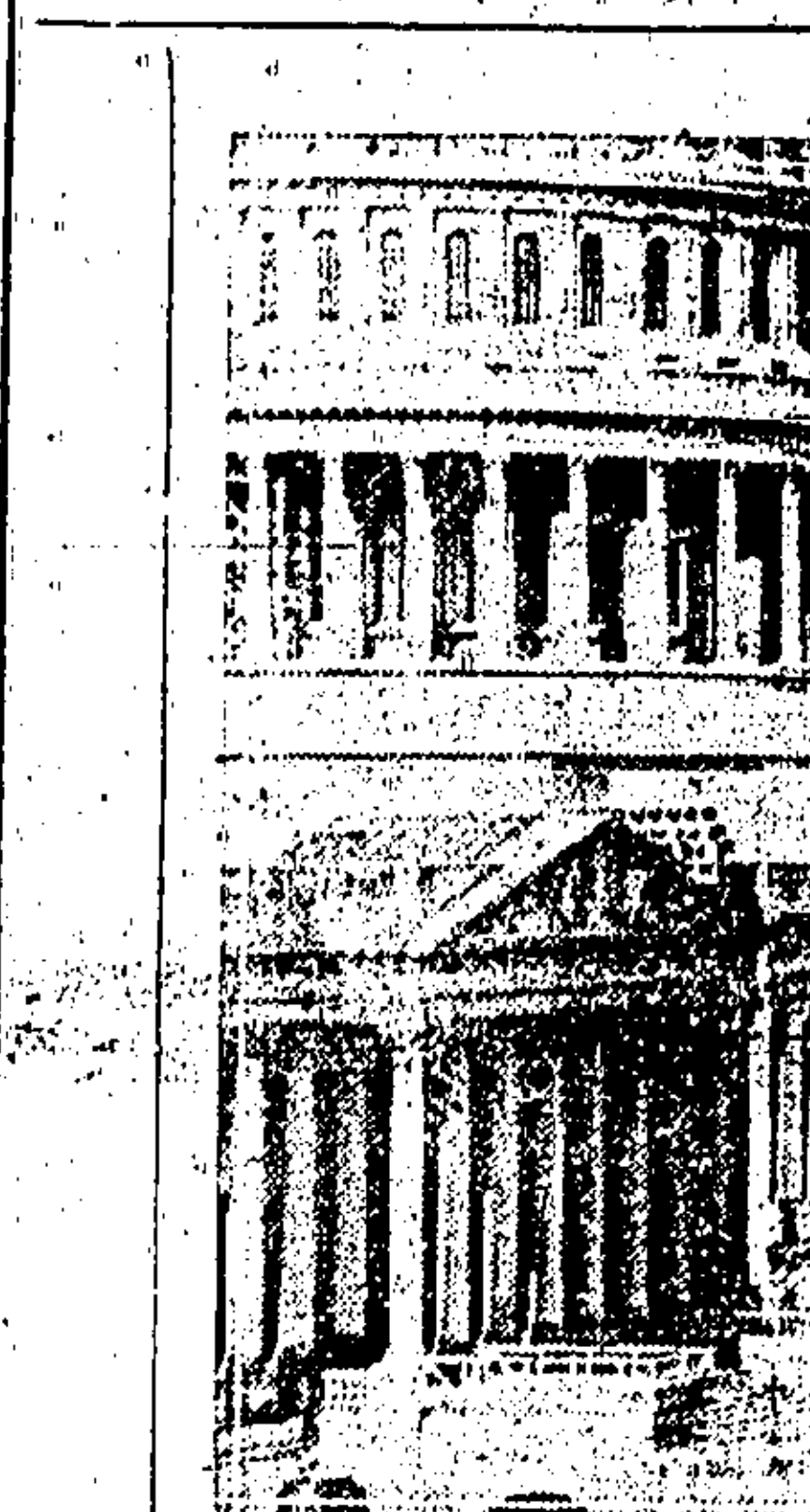
If the above adjustments are passed by you, the Company's Reserve Accounts will be reduced to a very low figure, but it is fortunate that by the adoption of a conservative policy in the past, of building up substantial reserve and at the same time distributing to shareholders a reasonable average dividend we are able to start 1925 with practically a clean sheet.

Our stocks of both raw and refined sugar at December 31, 1924, have been written down to market values ruling at that date and it is to be hoped that our last year's unfortunate working has embodied all the adverse re-adjustments of values necessary and that future conditions generally may be more favourable for us.

I may add that the price at which our forward purchases of the raw material have been effected should prove profitable, as it does not compare unfavourably with present market values, which are extremely low.

My predecessor when addressing you a year ago remarked that the raw markets were on a high level and although the statistical position at that time looked sound, he warned you that high prices usually resulted in reduced consumption, and that the possibility of sudden changes in our business could not be ignored. From that time on the trend in prices of raw sugar was in a downward direction, practically throughout the year, closing values at the end of December being about the lowest. The chief cause is to be found in the enormous increase in Beet Sugar production over the previous year, such increase being in the vicinity of 2 million tons.

The difference between the highest and lowest prices recorded for Java Sugars in Hongkong during the year was \$5.40 per picul for Java Whites and \$5.30 per picul for Java Browns and as the average annual yield of our Refinery is between 600,000 and 700,000 piculs, it will be readily appreciated by you what this continual fall in the price of the raws means to our Company.



This unusual photograph shows the inaugural stand, in front of the Capitol, Washington, Mr. Coolidge was sworn in as the President of the United States on March 4.

Shanghai \$12 per picul, selling limits from that time on had to be gradually reduced, until in December the rate was as low as \$8.3 mace per picul. I have already referred to the extremely adverse trading conditions in China during the past year and to emphasise this point, I would mention that in August, when a sudden and quite unprecedented demand arose for our products, business had to be entirely suspended owing to the hostilities in the North and the inability of dealers to finance their business owing to the financial stringency which followed the outbreak of hostilities.

Severe competition has also been experienced from Japanese sugar in China during the period under review, large contracts having been placed with Chinese dealers for forward delivery, which in many cases had eventually to be liquidated at lower prices. It is impossible to forecast with any accuracy the possible trend of sugar values—prices for the raw material have improved recently and a large portion of the Cuban crop has been marketed, and our recent market advices from London render it impossible to foretell whether there will be any less sugar produced in the coming year or not and consequently the world's consumption of sugar will play an important part in the future trend of prices.

I am glad to be able to report that there has recently been a much better demand for our products in China, particularly in the more Northern Agencies and the Refinery is at present fully engaged in filling their requirements. Selling limits, however, continue on a low scale but it is hoped that if the present improved demand continues, prices will improve.

The erection of the new boilers was completed a few months back and they are working satisfactorily, and we have every reason to be satisfied that a great saving in fuel is resulting from the installation.

NEW SOLICITOR

MR. LEWIS TURNER ADMITTED.

Mr. Lewis Turner was admitted as a solicitor at to-day's session of the Supreme Court. He is to be with the firm of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master.

In applying on his behalf, Sir Henry Pollock K.C., acting Attorney General, mentioned that Mr. Turner was educated at King's College School, Wimbledon, had been articled in 1920 and admitted to practice in January of this year.

A formality in regard to notice to the local Law Society had not been complied with but this was waived, His Lordship pointing out, however, that the regulations were intended to be fulfilled and at once it looked as if there was no intention of that. He wished Mr. Turner a prosperous and pleasant time here.

COURT "NERVES."

ARE HONGKONG METHODS FAIR? AMERICAN ATTORNEY'S VIEW.

"Those Wigs Must Be Uncomfortable."

Impressive but inflicting a great nerve strain on the prisoner is the impression left upon the mind of a visiting American attorney by the Supreme Court of Hongkong.

Mr. Wm. Armstrong, Attorney and Counselor at law, of Rochester, New York, did not arrive in Hongkong by the "Franconia" but has been here a few days in the course of a privately arranged tour. To-day, although he smilingly confessed to a "China Mail" reporter that it was very much in the nature of a "busman's holiday," he thought he'd like to see how justice was administered in Hongkong. Hence his appearance behind the Press table this morning whilst Mr. Justice Gompertz read an involved judgment dealing with the application of local rent law.

Having sat out this and the admitting of a new solicitor quite patiently, Mr. Armstrong appeared anxious to learn more of the working of the Court.

"Are those seats up there really for the jury?" he enquired, indicating those on the left of the Chief Justice's chair. "But I thought that in every Court where British law was administered, there were twelve in the jury." It was news to him that Colonial legislation could modify the number, as it has in the case of Hongkong to seven.

Sir Henry Pollock, K.C. and Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. were in Court at the time, and indicating their wigs, Mr. Armstrong ventured the opinion that they would be rather uncomfortable to wear in the summer. On being told that His Lordship often set the example by discarding his wig if the weather was particularly hot, the American attorney said he didn't wonder. "We don't have wigs in America. Neither is there any distinction made there between lawyers and barristers."

The idea of a dock, he confessed, he did not like. He had a great admiration for the English administration of justice but docks such as that in the Supreme Court of Hongkong where a man was isolated sometimes for the greater part of the day imposed a very great strain on the prisoner. In America the prisoner was allowed to sit with his counsel and even conduct the case if he wished to do so.

"We sacrifice formality to speed" was his final remark and he left promising to take the tip of the reporter that if he wanted to see speed he should come to the "year a minute" Criminal Sessions or go to the Magistracy any morning.

DISMISSED.

RENTS LAW APPEAL CASE.

GOVERNOR OVERRULED.

An appeal case which had been argued by Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., now acting Attorney General, and opposed by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., was dismissed this morning at a Full Court session.

The case concerned property in respect of which H.E. the Governor made an order of exemption from provisions 4 (1) (f) of the Rents Ordinance during the currency of the notice to quit.

For the appellants it was held that whilst this notice was current no order for possession could be made. For the respondents it was argued that once the notice had been given it remained good for all purposes notwithstanding the passing of the order in Council.

Mr. Justice Gompertz, who read the decision, said that having regard to the cases quoted he and the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Cowper Gollan, were of the opinion that the order could not be so construed as taking away rights which had accrued and vested.

Mr. Justice Gompertz also emphasised that the respondents were given no opportunity of being heard before the order was made against them, and section 24 of the Rents Ordinance clearly contemplated some enquiry before the making of the order.

The appeal was therefore dismissed with costs.

On arrival here from Dell and Singapore, the S.S. "Van Cloon" reported the death of a Chinese deck passenger.

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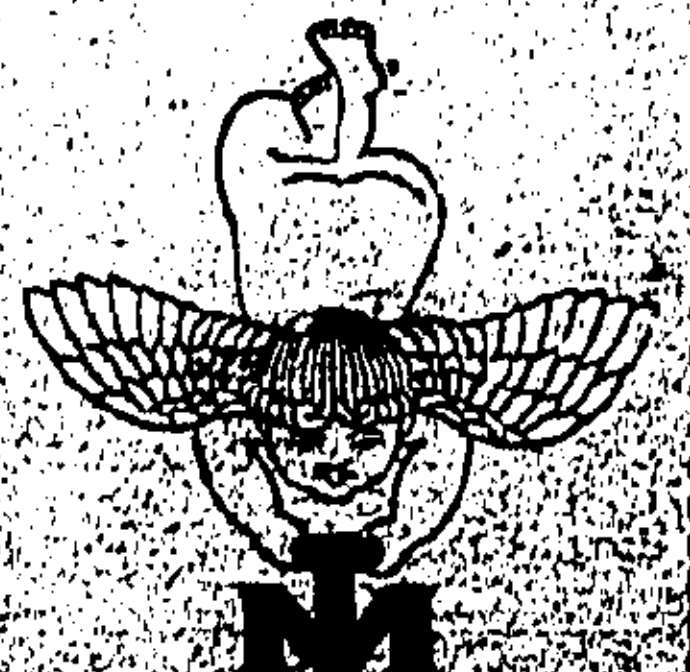
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Cattle, Oxen, Sheep, Pigs, etc.

Poultry.

Fruits.

Vegetables, etc.

Fish.

Barrel, etc.

Canton Fresh Water Fish.

Cattle, etc.

Sheep, etc.

Pigs, etc.

Hens, etc.

Ducks, etc.

Geese, etc.

Turkeys, etc.

Pheasants, etc.

Partridges, etc.

Quails, etc.

Snipe, etc.

Grouse, etc.

Hares, etc.

Rabbits, etc.

Squirrels, etc.

Mice, etc.

Rats, etc.

Insects, etc.

Fungi, etc.

Mosses, etc.

Lichens, etc.

Algae, etc.

Fossils, etc.

Minerals, etc.

Metals, etc.

Stones, etc.

Shells, etc.

Corals, etc.

Sponges, etc.

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Marketing, etc.

Sales, etc.

Distribution, etc.

Logistics, etc.

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Poultry

March 27, June 1914, June 1915, June 1916.

Chicken, etc.

Duck, etc.

Goose, etc.

Turkey, etc.

Pheasant, etc.

Partridge, etc.

Quail, etc.

Snipe, etc.

Grouse, etc.

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Agriculture, etc.

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Hunting, etc.

Gardening, etc.

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Traveling, etc.

Religion, etc.

Philosophy, etc.

Science, etc.

Technology, etc.

Innovation, etc.

Research, etc.

Development, etc.

Progress, etc.

Growth, etc.

Success, etc.

Achievement, etc.

Realization, etc.

Fulfillment, etc.

Completion, etc.

Conclusion, etc.

End, etc.

The End, etc.

Farewell, etc.

Goodbye, etc.

Adieu, etc.

Au revoir, etc.

Until next time, etc.

See you later, etc.

We'll meet again, etc.

I'll be back, etc.

I'll be home, etc.

I'll be there, etc.

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I'll be in your heart, etc.

I'll be in your mind, etc.

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I'll be in your future, etc.

I'll be in your destiny, etc.

I'll be in your fate, etc.

I'll be in your luck, etc.

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I'll be in your joy, etc.

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I'll be in your loyalty, etc.

I'll be in your faith, etc.

I'll be in your hope, etc.

I'll be in your dreams, etc.

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1924—BAD.

There is a temptation in dealing with the annual meeting of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd., to enlarge on the quality of optimism which is the admirable trait of those guiding the destinies of this great concern. In sinking such large sums in buildings, docks of larger dimensions, etc., the feeling is uppermost, that it is a policy which is akin to casting bread upon the waters. . . . But it is the stressing of 1924 as a very bad year which calls for a passing word. Only the other day the Chairman of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce dealt with the same topic, and there was no hiding the seriousness of his words. Now it is the turn of the Chairman of the Dock Company to confirm that which was more or less patent. If trade is bad, then shipping must also be bad, and it follows that ship yards must suffer too—for the three things hang together. It is obvious that such conditions cannot always continue and that the laws of supply and demand will again come to that level which will clearly prove the wisdom of the policy of optimism so consistently followed by such concerns as the Dock Co. On top of a "futile and ill-advised four months' strike of moulders" resulting in a certain amount of work being diverted to other ports, the Company has had to find a contingency for a possible bad debt of \$200,000. One blow

was quite sufficient without another of the magnitude mentioned. Both prove that for the Company 1924 was indeed bad. But the inevitable silver cloud is not far distant. The Directors believe in it and are preparing for it. And that is a good sign. The ship is a good one and excellently manned. May we hope next year to write under the caption—"1925—Good"!

Death.

In such a small place as this there come times when the force of John Bright's words uttered on a momentous occasion seem very applicable. The Angel of Death has been abroad throughout the land; you may almost hear the beating of his wings. Death. . . the nurse that puts the children to sleep. It is in such beautiful word pictures as this that the inevitableness and apparent sadness of death becomes softened and the blow of parting easier to bear. And Death is no respecter. The Duke and the Commoner find no distinction made in their particular case. The Nurse calls and there is no postponement. The call comes suddenly, or it comes slowly—with-out time for preparation or leave-taking, or with moments in hand to make both. Who shall decide which is best? The point is how the call is to be met and how we, who are temporarily left are to regard it. Charles Frohman with a life of activity, success and fame won, and projects in hand of magnitude, could, on that sinking liner, refer to what was about to happen, as another adventure. It is this sense of yet another "adventure" which makes the question of immortality so real a thing to many a person, although the greater number cling to life in a fear of the great unknown. I have often thought upon death and I find it the least of all evils. So said Bacon and the thought arises that if the subject of Death and our seeming nervousness to it were pondered more, this present life would be all the better and all the sweeter. Our petty ambitions, bickerings and posturings would seem, as they really are, of no avail and no account, and we should live that when Death knocked at the door, the parting bitter as it always must be to those who love, would be less bitter than it seems to be. There is no death. What seems so is transition. . . .

Mr. G. Morton Smith.

There will be general regret at the cable news of the sudden death of G. Morton Smith, so well known to many Hongkong people. "G.M.S." was for many years "No. 2" in the local office of Dodwell & Co., Ltd. He was transferred to the London Office about three or four years ago. "Morton"—as his friends called

him—was, if anything an expert in shipping, of which he had an immense grasp. His clarity of style in dealing with any complex problem was a feature of his business ability, but his knowledge was not solely confined to shipping matters. Always of a cheery disposition, he was a warm and true friend—hospitable to a degree. A staunch Freemason he rose to high office in the order—his other Lodge being Victoria 1028 E.C. Mr. Morton Smith is survived by a widow and daughter to whom much sympathy will go in their sad and sudden bereavement.

Radio & Cross Words.

Developments in regard to the broadcasting of local entertainments may be expected ere long, we are given to understand, but we venture to think that even the most optimistic radio "fan" would hardly like to prophesy such a development here as that which the enterprising Bournemouth Station announces in the latest number of the Radio Times. A radio cross-word puzzle is given from their station with a prize for the first solution to arrive! The diagram is given and clues to it are read out by the Announcer. Novelty is lent to the idea by the inclusion of the cross-word puzzle in songs and instrumental pieces broadcast at the same time. In the case of the instrumental piece the cross-word is found in the title and in the case of the song the word is slightly accentuated by the singer. Possessors of crystal sets in Hongkong, restricted as they are to mere Morse, will gnash their teeth when they read of concerts relayed from various stations on the Continent so that listeners with crystal sets in England may share the joys of distant talent. But things are moving here. The local Radio Society is by no means asleep and the time may not be far distant when a modest outlay may ensure some such privilege even in this atmospherically unfavourable zone.

ORANGE BLOSSOMS.

TO-DAY'S PRETTY KOWLOON WEDDING.

FARRELL—JOY.

An interesting local wedding took place at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, this afternoon, the parties being Miss Marjorie Thorpe Joy, of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, and Mr. Albert Edward Farrell, also of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. W. Morley of Kowloon and the late Mr. T. G. Joy of Cardiff, and the bridegroom the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Farrell of Liverpool. The Rev. G. R. Lindsay, Vicar, officiated, assisted by the Rev. G. E. Arrowsmith. The bride was given away by her stepfather, Mr. W. Morley, and wore a becoming dress of white charmeuse embroidered with crystal beads and veil of honiton lace. Her bouquet was of white roses. Two of the bridesmaids, Misses C. Hansen and A. Parkes, who had been colleagues of the bride, wore dresses of mauve charmeuse and Miss Eorleigh, the other bridesmaid, was attired in lemon charmeuse. Their bouquets were of mauve sweet peas. The bride's mother wore a dress of brown crepe de chine embroidered in gold and hat to match. Mr. H. R. Forsyth, of B. & S., was best man and Messrs. D. D. Dryden and T. Low, also of B. & S., were the groomsmen. The bride and bridegroom are leaving for Peking after the reception at the home of the bride's parents, the bride's travelling dress being of grey morocain trimmed with almond green. They return to Hongkong to embark for Home upon the Empress of Russia.

ARMS ARREST.

MR. CREASY'S CHAUFFEUR CHARGED.

In connection with the charge of unlawful possession of a revolver preferred against Bachan Singh, an Indian watchman, who was remanded until Friday morning at the Central Magistracy yesterday, another Indian was brought before Mr. S.B.B. McElderry this morning. The charge against the second man, Bukhish Singh, who is a chauffeur employed by the Hon. Mr. Harold Creasy, is that he was seen to hand over the revolver to Bachan Singh, in whose possession it was actually found. The accused pleaded not guilty to the charge, and was remanded until the hearing of the other case, bail being fixed at \$2,000.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THROWING STONES AT MOTOR CARS.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—I was interested to note a member of the Automobile Association at yesterday's meeting voiced a complaint regarding the practice of Chinese school boys throwing stones at motor cars. I drive constantly on Caine and Bonham Roads and can concur with Mr. Arnold as to the intolerable nuisance. Not only do these schoolboys endanger passengers in cars by throwing stones, but daily use this narrow road as a football ground. Any day between 12.30 and 1.00 p.m. some 100 to 200 boys can be found indulging in football between the Ying Wah School and the western entrance to the University. I have noticed these boys only throw stones at cars driven by Europeans and Indian drivers. I know the Police Traffic Department has as much work as it can cope with, and every legitimate complaint receives the sympathetic attention of the Traffic Officers, but I would suggest to the Captain Superintendent of Police, that it would be quite easy to end this nuisance by sending a couple of detectives to make a few arrests. Doubtless individual police officers may not be very keen on this work, after the snubs received in the past from the Magistrate, when football players from Statue Square were charged at the Magistracy. Enclosing my card, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Hongkong, March 31, 1925.

SUNDAY CINEMA HOURS.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—As I am a newcomer to Hongkong (4 months) I am often asked how I like the place. My answer is: "On week days fairly well; on Sundays not at all." It seems to me that for a moneyed man the place is all right, for he can enjoy his Sundays on his own private tennis court or on his golf links at Fan Ling, Shek O, or Deep Water Bay. But what of the lad newly out from home, or the young married couple, or the local youths who cannot afford these luxuries? Have they no right to enjoy Sunday afternoons? Such privileges produce socialism and communism. Last Sunday the golf courses were crowded, and all the private cars dashing along the roads, the Soldiers were enjoying a game of football on the parade ground, but I and many more of the under-dogs had to stay indoors and mope or wander aimlessly about the streets. Cine-mas on Sunday afternoons would not only provide a lot of fellows with innocent amusement and instruction but also keep many out of mischief. So all you lawmakers whose monthly rents are probably more than my salary think of your less fortunate countrymen out here, think of the local youths, think of the many women and children for whom you could make Sunday a day to be looked forward to instead of a day to be dreaded.

Yours etc.,

Hongkong, March 31, 1925.

SEVENTH ARREST.

HOMUNTIN ROBBERY CASE.

The five men and one woman who are held in connection with the armed robbery at the residence of Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios at Homuntin on March 7 were again before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, as also another man arrested yesterday.

In respect of the latest arrest it was stated by Detective Inspector W. Pincoff that he has been identified as one of the men who threatened Mrs. d'Almada Remedios with a dagger during the gagging operations.

With the permission of the Magistrate, the case was transferred from Kowloon to the Central Magistracy, and further proceedings will be held before Mr. J. R. Wood.

DISCHARGED.

A Chinese youth named Leung Cheung, against whom a charge of obtaining a quantity of cigarettes under false pretences from Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., was not proved at the Central Magistracy a few days ago, was again before Mr. J. R. Wood yesterday on a charge of receiving 24 tins of cigarettes knowing them to have been wrongfully obtained from Messrs. Wing On and Company. The case was adjourned until this morning as the defendant desired to call his elder brother as a witness. After evidence had been heard this morning, the defendant was discharged.

THEFT OF SILK.

"EMPRESS OF RUSSIA" ROBBERY.

SHANGHAI AFFAIR.

Details of a \$50,000 silk cargo theft from the holds of the Empress of Russia while loading at the China Merchants Wharf on the lower Bund, Shanghai, were revealed for the first time yesterday (reports the "China Press" of March 27) when it became known that 40 bales of raw silk were missing when the giant Canadian Pacific liner docked at Vancouver on February 25.

When the boat arrived on the other side of the Pacific the silk was rushed aboard a train bound for New York. It was then that the shortage of 40 bales was noted but the company thought there must have been an error in the manifest.

Cables were sent to various points and the Shanghai river police were put on the trail when it was realised that a daring theft had been perpetrated.

The theft occurred between the hours of 8 p.m. on February 8 and 10 a.m. on February 9, when the liner was being loaded preparatory to sailing on its coast-bound voyage.

Results of investigations carried on by Shanghai authorities show that a large gang of thieves must have taken part in the crime. During the hours the liner was at the China Merchants Wharf the tide was low, easily permitting the passage of a small boat under the wharf and directly against the outer side of the giant vessel's hold.

It was a simple matter, according to a theory held by investigators working on the case, to open one of the large doors into the hold through which the bales of raw silk might easily be passed into the boat tied alongside under the wharf.

Special details of guards pacing the wharf above could have no inkling of what was transpiring beneath them. At low tide there is often as much as twenty feet of space between the wharf and the water line.

Undisturbed, working silently and swiftly, the gang of robbers transferred the cargo, then boarding the small boat slipped quietly through the waters of the night, disposed of their loot, and dispersed. It was not until fifteen days later, after the boat had travelled almost six thousand miles, that the theft was first discovered.

The stolen property was flax coloured, white, and yellow. A close search of Chinese silk hongs has failed to give any clue of the thieves, nor has any of the silk been found.

This is said to be the first time in thirty-three years that the Canadian Pacific has lost more than two bales of silk on any voyage. River police and other authorities are leaving no stone unturned to find the thieves.

Presumably the silk was first shipped from Hongkong, or rather, Canton whence it was brought down by the Steamboat Co.'s vessels and transhipped on to the Russia. The handling of this class of cargo has been made a fine art.

On inquiry from Mr. Allan Cameron, Oriental Manager of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., the "China Mail" was informed that the value of the silk missing is about Gold \$20,000.

"SERIOUS LEAKAGE."

SHIP'S LIQUOR SOLD ASHORE.

STRICTER REGULATIONS.

In connection with the supplying of liquors and tobacco to steamers, in port, the following notification by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports makes interesting reading:—

"Notice is hereby given that on and after April 1 no removal permit for dutiable liquor and tobacco will be passed for removal ex bond to ships' stores, unless the application is accompanied by an order signed by the agents of the ship. Such order must be drawn up in such a way as to prevent any addition being made after signature, when the order does fill the whole of the form a line should be drawn immediately after the last entry. When any alterations have been made, such should be initiated by the person signing the order, clerks have received orders to strictly observe these instructions, and any order which appears to have been improperly altered will not be passed."

The reason for this alteration in procedure is the discovery of serious leakage through the custom of ship's officers handing over to harbour runners signed blank forms which are then filled in, and used to enable dutiable goods to be withdrawn from bond, and disposed of ashore.

MINERS TRAPPED.

DISASTER IN NORTH OF ENGLAND.

INFLOW OF WATER.

Entombed Men's Critical Plight.

The constant peril in which miners work is brought home again by a startling disaster in the North of England.

FOUL AIR DANGER.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 30.

A number of miners have been trapped in the Montague Pit at Scotswood, near Newcastle, owing to an inflow of water due to boling.

Nearly 300 men were below when the accident occurred but all but 83 escaped.

A rescue party which descended to erect a canvas door for the purpose of diverting the foul air was compelled to retire.

The entombed men, who include several fathers, sons and brothers, are clutching a protecting ridge near the roof.

Little hope is entertained for nine of them, but there is a possibility that the remainder are in a sheltered spot.

[Scotswood is on the Tyne, 3 1/2 miles west of Newcastle. There is a station there for the North British Railway.]

"ONLY A MIRACLE."

The rescuers were withdrawn at midnight.

The opinion is held that only a miracle can save the entombed men.

The volume of water is stated to be increasing rapidly in parts of the pit. One pump has been drowned out.

Anxious thousands are keeping a vigil at the pit mouth in the hope that rescue work will be resumed.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

CABINET TO INQUIRE INTO REFORM.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, March 30.

In the House of Commons, the Premier, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, announced that it was proposed to establish a Cabinet committee to examine the question of reform of the House of Lords.

MURDER IN TRAIN.

COMMUNIST OFFICERS KILLED.

TROUBLE BREWING.

(Reuter's Service.)

MOSCOW, March 31.

The Rosta agency states that the two Polish Communist officers who were sentenced to death by a Polish Court for an attempt to blow up a Warsaw fortress but who were to have been exchanged at the Russo-Polish frontier for two Poles and a priest arrested in Russia were murdered to-day in a train as they were going to the frontier, for which a Soviet representative at Warsaw has been instructed emphatically to protest to Poland, demanding a strict enquiry and punishment of the murderers.

FOOD RIOTS.

LENINGRAD BAKERIES DESTROYED.

(Reuter's Service.)

RIGA, March 30.

Food disturbances at Leningrad continue. The unemployed have destroyed a number of bakeries there.

Troops have been despatched to the spot. Some arrests have been made.

KUOMINTANG.

(Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin.)

PEKING, March 30.

Ha Han-min is reported to have voiced his strong disapproval of Tang Chi-yao's assumption of the post of Vice-Generalissimo of the Kuomintang.

A rapprochement between Tang Chi-yao and Chen Chiang-ming is considered possible in some circles in Canton, as the latter is known to be a supporter of the scheme for the federation of the autonomous provinces.

Manila, March 30.—Several Moro bands are threatening insurrection. The Lanao Constabulary are watching but have been ordered not to kill unless it becomes absolutely necessary, Governor-General Wood has announced.—Reuter.

Manila, March 30.—H.M.S. Ambrose and Submarine L.2 are here from Singapore and three more submarines are expected to-morrow.—Reuter.

Paris, March 30.—Another of the steps towards bringing the aeroplane into greater favour in the Far East as regular mode of transport, is being taken by the departure of the well-known airman, J. P. Laporte (the holder of the world's altitude record of 4,750 metres for seaplanes with a load of five hundred kilograms), for China and Japan where he will give a number of demonstrations, especially with seaplanes.—Reuter.

MIDDLE COURSE.

Trend of the German Election.

EXTREMISTS DEFEATED.

INTERESTING FEATURES OF COMPLEX SITUATION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, March 30.

The principal fact emerging from the election is that the possibility of an extremist swing to either side is ruled out by the sound defeat of the Fascist Ludendorff and the Communist Thaelmann.

An interesting feature was the failure of the Rightist Jarres to come up to expectations. It is noteworthy that he is losing votes in Duisburg whence as burgomaster he was rejected by the occupation authorities.

On the other hand the Socialist Braun did better than he was expected.

The problem that now confronts the Republicans and Democrats is to hit on a suitable joint candidate when the Republican presidency is practically assured.

Otherwise Jarres will continue favourite since minorities like the Bavarian people's nominee, Held, and the Democrat Hellpach have also been relegated to obscurity.

EARLIER FIGURES.

Berlin, March 30.

The following are the latest approximate figures of the German presidential election: Jarres, 11,000,000 votes; Braun, 8,000,000; Marx, 4,000,000; Thaelmann, 2,000,000; Hellpach, 1,500,000; Held, 1,000,000; Ludendorff, 25,000.

It is roughly estimated that 27,300,000 or seventy per cent. of the electorate voted, 3,000,000 less than at the parliamentary elections last December.

The Social Democrats, the Reich bloc and the Centre held their ground, while the Bavarian People's Party and the Democrats lost 400,000 votes. The National Socialists and Communists lost respectively 700,000 and 800,000.

STEAMERS COLLIDE.

GERMAN VESSEL BADLY DAMAGED.

STRUCK AT ANCHOR.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, March 30.

A message from Port Said states that the British steamer Meriones from Yokohama to Amsterdam leaving Suez collided with the German steamer Sturm-fels from Hamburg to Bombay, which was anchored.

The Meriones proceeded on her way and her damage is not known. The Sturmfels' counter was badly holed and temporary repairs will take a fortnight.

SAFE IN PORT.

PORT SUDAN, March 30. The Perseus is making for Port Sudan towing the Idomeneus.

LATER. The Idomeneus has arrived. [Yesterday's cables stated that the Dutch steamer Idomeneus, from Batavia to Amsterdam, sustained a broken shaft to the stern of Port Sudan. The British steamer Perseus has proceeded to her assistance.]

EARL OF YPRES.

DISQUIETING SYMPTOMS DEVELOP.

INCREASED ANXIETY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 30.

To-night's bulletin says that the condition of the Earl of Ypres is not satisfactory. Disquieting symptoms have developed, giving rise to increased anxiety.

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IMPERIAL INSTITUTE SUBSIDY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 30.

The House of Commons agreed to a resolution moved by Mr. Ormsby Gore, Under Secretary of State for Colonies, providing for the payment of £9,000 every year for five years towards the expenses of the Imperial Institute, thus giving effect to the Imperial Economic Conference's recommendation in this respect.

STORY OF A PLOT.

MALABAR HILL TRIAL EVIDENCE.

LARGE SUM FOR HELP.

Motor Car With a Speed of "100 Miles An Hour."

Further evidence implicating Indore officials in the Malabar Hill outrage was given when the trial was resumed yesterday.

BRIBE REFUSED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Bombay, March 30.

Further evidence of the ramifications of the alleged plot to abduct Mumtaz Begum was given at the resumption of the trial by a Mahomedan shopkeeper from Ahmedabad, uncle of Shaikhmed, one of the accused.

He related how another of the accused who described himself as attached to the Indore police came to him at the end of last year and represented that he had been sent by the inspector-general of police in Indore to solicit his assistance in securing Mumtaz.

He described the motor car which he said the inspector-general purchased—speed "one hundred miles an hour"—in which it was intended that Mumtaz should be carried off.

Witness declared that a large sum was offered for his assistance but he declined.

Indore is a large native state in Central India, Malwa, consisting of several isolated tracts in

the south-west of the Central Indian Agency, and composing the territories of the Holkar dynasty. The capital city is Indore, which is the seat of the British Residency of the Governor-General's Agent for Central India. The city stands on an elevated and healthy site, and has a college—for the education of sons of native chiefs, nobles and upper classes in Central India—affiliated to the Calcutta university. The principal products of the state are the poppy, raw cotton, wheat, tobacco and valuable timber. The chief manufactures are cotton and opium.

The Malabar Hill outrage occurred early in January when Abdul Kadir Baula, a rich Mahomedan merchant and a member of the Bombay Corporation, was murdered in his motor-car, and Mumtaz Mustapha Begum, a girl with him, was disfigured with knives. The Bombay police hold the opinion the crime was the result of an attempt to abduct the girl. Baula, who had been protecting the girl for the last four months, had been repeatedly warned from hostile and friendly sources that his life was in danger, but he continued to keep the girl and disregarded the warnings. The girl was formerly attached to the palace of the Maharajah of Indore. Some time ago she escaped from Indore and made her way to Amritsar, where, it is alleged, numerous attempts were made to make her return to Indore.

STRIKE IN HONAN.

(Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin.)

PEKING, March 30.

It is reported in Chinese military circles that Hu Ching-yi has wired to the Military Council of the Chief Executive to the effect that the military operations in the western part of Honan are ended, and that he is stationing one brigade at Tongkuan, another at Shenchow, and the rest of his troops will be withdrawn to Loyang.

DR. SUN YAT-SEN.

(Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin.)

PEKING, March 30.

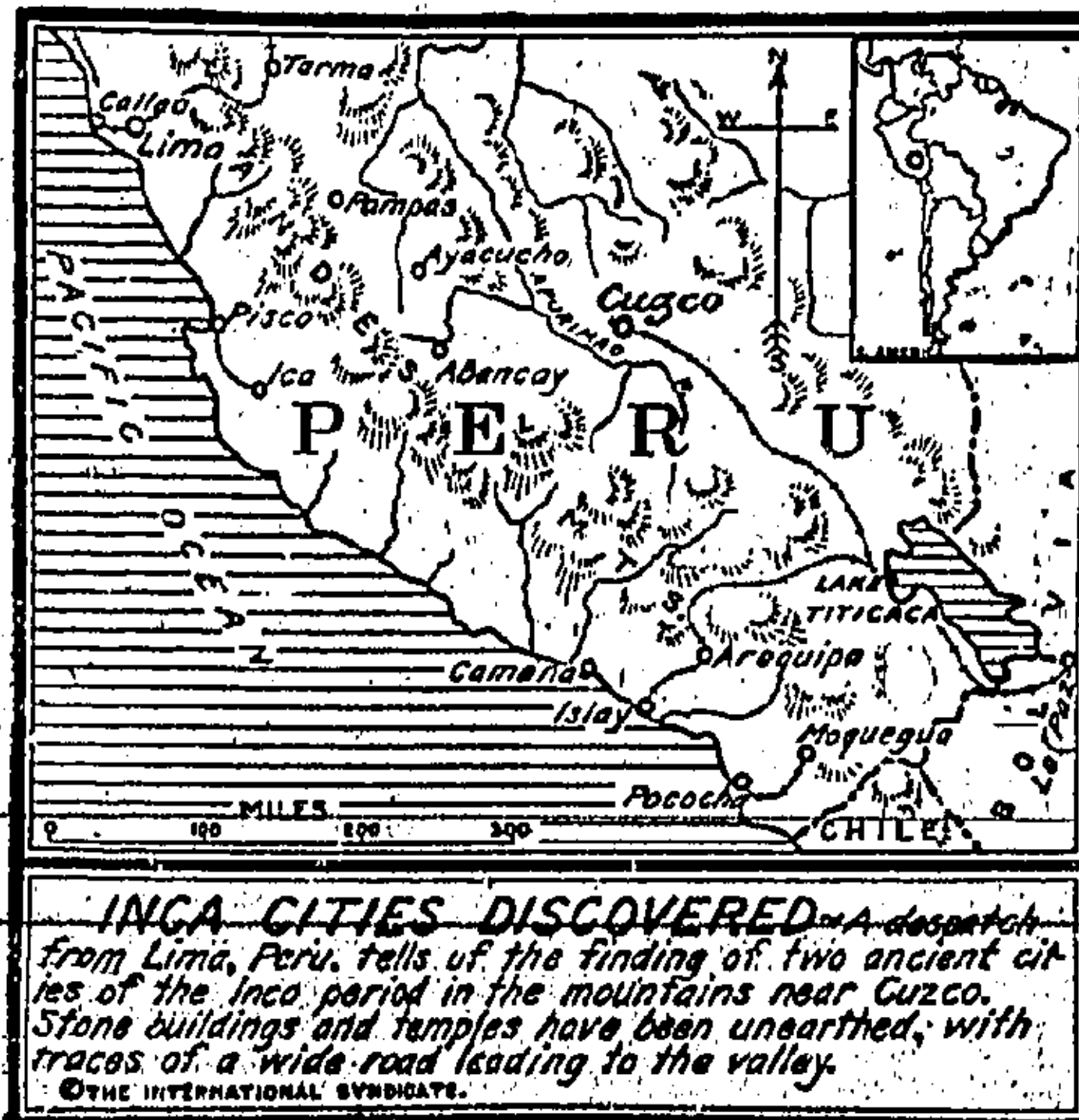
The crystal coffin ordered from Russia for the remains of Sun Yat-sen arrived to-day, and was taken to the Peking Union Medical College for scientific examination. According to the present arrangements, the remains will be conveyed in the crystal coffin to the Western Hills.

Tokyo, March 30.—The Agriculture and Commerce Department has been divided into two departments.—Courtesy of the "Daily Bulletin."

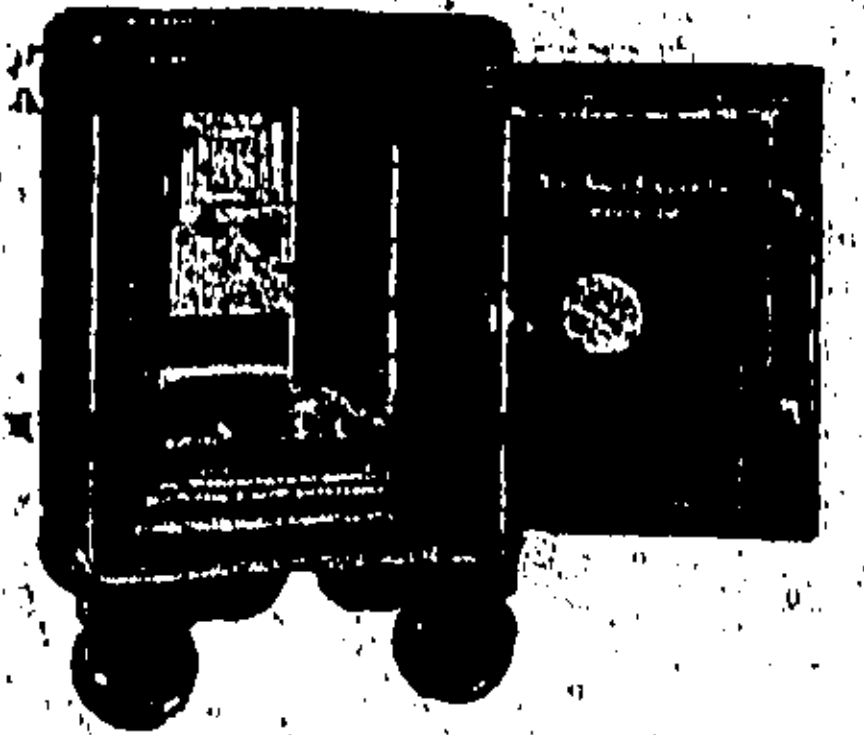
Tokyo, March 30.—The passage of the Suffrage Bill is generally acclaimed by the Press as a significant turning point in Japanese constitutional Government.—Courtesy of the "Daily Bulletin."

Peking, March 29.—Chinese military circles report that Hu Ching-yi has sent Yueh Wai-chun in pursuit of Lin Chen-hua's troops. Yueh Wai-chun has captured Lingpao and Tungkuang.—Courtesy of the "Daily Bulletin."

Tokyo, March 30.—Baron Makino is appointed Privy Seal in succession to Baron Hirata, who resigned owing to ill-health. Dr. Kitokuro Ichigi, at present Vice-President of the Privy Council, succeeds Baron Makino as Minister of the Household, being succeeded by Baron Chinocho Hozumi, ex-Professor of Law at the Imperial University. Count Uchida, ex-Foreign Minister, will become a Privy Councillor.—Courtesy of the "Daily Bulletin."



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SPORTS CABLES

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JOHNNY CURLEY WINS ON POINTS.

"FEATHER" CHAMPION.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 30. At the National Sporting Club in a twenty rounds contest for the featherweight championship, Johnny Curley of Lambeth beat George Mackenzie of Leith on points.

It was a strenuous struggle throughout. Mackenzie continually carried the fight to his opponent, but, Curley, making splendid use of his right hand for hooks, swings, and upper cuts, soon took a commanding lead in points.

Mackenzie improved after the sixth round and scored well with a good variety of blows.

After the half-way stage it appeared likely that the Scotsman would outstay the Londoner, but the latter came with a rare rush in the last few rounds and won a fine fight.

The verdict was received with great enthusiasm.

RACQUETS FINAL.

THE CHALLENGE ROUND TO-DAY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 30. At Queen's Club in the amateur racquets championship final, C. Pell (America) beat Major-General Sheppard, 15-8, 12-15, 15-8, 15-1.

Pell meets H. Leatham, the holder, in the challenge round to-morrow.

HOME FOOTBALL.

THROSTLES DEFEAT CUP FINALISTS.

LEICESTER'S REVIVAL.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 30. Results of League football matches played to-day (home team given first) are as follows:

W. Bromwich A. 2 Sheffield U. 1
DIVISION II.
Portsmouth 2 Port Vale 0
Wolves 0 Leicester 1
DIVISION III. (SOUTH.)
Merthyr 1 Bristol R. 0
DIVISION III. (NORTH.)
Chesterfield 3 Rotherham 2
[As will be seen in the League tables, West Bromwich Albion are making a strong bid for championship honours. Their victims, the "Blacks," have won their way to the Cup final. By winning away from home Leicester City enhance their prospects of promotion to the senior League.]

LEAGUE RESULTS TO DATE.

The position in the English and Scottish Football Leagues up to and including March 30 is as follows:

DIVISION I.

Team	P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.
West Bromwich A.	35 20 8 7 53 31 47
Huddersfield T.	34 17 5 12 57 24 45
Newcastle U.	37 15 6 16 59 34 45
Bury	35 17 8 10 62 34 44
Bolton W.	34 17 8 9 61 30 44
Liverpool	34 17 10 7 56 48 41
Sunderland	36 18 13 5 55 44 41
Tottenham H	36 13 11 12 48 38 36
Birmingham	35 12 10 38 42 36
West Ham	34 13 12 9 49 48 35
M'chester C.	34 12 13 9 64 60 35
Notts County	34 11 11 12 30 26 33
Cardiff City	34 11 10 13 45 43 32
Sheffield U.	35 10 13 12 47 51 32
Burnley	34 10 15 9 42 60 29
Blackburn	33 9 13 11 40 49 29
Everton	35 10 16 9 52 32 29
Aston Villa	32 8 12 12 41 55 28
Arsenal	34 12 18 4 28 46 28
Leeds U.	35 8 15 12 40 48 28
Preston N.E.	34 9 22 3 32 65 21
Nottingham F	34 6 20 8 24 57 20

DIVISION II.

Team	P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.
Leicester	35 22 6 7 81 29 51
Derby	35 21 7 7 67 31 49
Manchester U	34 19 7 8 46 41 40
Chelsea	34 14 8 12 40 40 40
Wolverhampton	35 16 14 5 45 43 37
Portsmouth	35 11 9 15 45 43 37
Port Vale	34 16 12 6 38 43 36
Hull City	34 13 8 45 39 34
Middlesbrough	35 10 14 31 36 34
Clapton O.	34 12 14 9 35 36 33
Fulham	34 12 13 9 34 46 33
Bradford C.	34 10 12 32 37 32
Southampton	31 10 9 12 30 32
Stockport	35 11 14 10 41 32
Oldham	36 11 15 10 20 45 32
South Shields	33 9 11 13 35 34 31
Wendnesday	36 13 18 5 40 52 31

STARVING MAN

TOO PROUD FOR THE DOLE

Described by the police as being too proud to make known his position to those who might have helped him and to have refused to take the dole, Frederick T. Smith, 33, was charged at Mortlake, S.W., with having been found in enclosed premises for an unlawful purpose.

Detective-Sergeant Buckingham said that Smith was found at some flat, and went there to get bread. Smith had a distinguished military career, having won the Military Medal in the field and four other medals. He also served his country in Ireland and was taken a prisoner by the rebels.

He was badly wounded when trying to escape after being three months in prison there.

He had made every effort to obtain work, and the local branch of the British Legion were now fitting him out and providing him with food and clothing and a home until he could obtain employment.

The chairman, in discharging Smith, said that it was distressing to find a man who had served his country so well in this position, and if the Legion did not succeed one of the magistrates would find him employment.

FOODLESS HOUSE.

When Emily Hunt, 28, was charged at Marylebone with begging, it was stated that her husband, an ex-Serviceman, was out of work. She had two children, the younger being 8 months old. There was no food in the house, and she had not had any food for 24 hours.

The husband said he was invalided out of the Army with malaria, but had no pension or the dole. When he applied for relief he was refused the workhouse, but he refused to go because he did not think it was a fit place for an ex-Serviceman.

Mr. Wilberforce, in discharging the woman, advised the man to go into the workhouse until he saw a prospect of work. "There is no shame in being kept by the public during hard times," he added, "especially if one has rendered service to the country."

Crys Palace	34	11	15	8	34	35	30
Blackpool	33	10	15	8	50	46	28
Stoke	35	9	18	8	26	41	26
Barnsley	34	8	17	9	38	56	25
Coventry	34	9	19	6	40	75	24

DIVISION III.

Southern Section.

Team	P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.
Swansea	33 17 6 10 57 27 44
Bristol C.	35 18 9 8 45 27 44
Plymouth	34 18 9 7 56 34 43
Swindon	34 17 9 8 52 30 42
Exeter	35 17 11 7 53 40 41
Newport	34 16 10 8 52 35 40
Brighton	35 15 13 8 49 36 40
Millwall	34 14 9 12 49 35 40
Norwich	35 18 14 3 44 34 39
Southend	34 16 14 4 43 45 36
Charlton	34 12 10 10 37 37 34
Gillingham	35 11 13 11 30 38 33
Watford	35 13 15 7 30 33 33
Reading	32 12 12 8 30 24 32
Norwich	33 10 12 11 41 31 31
Luton	36 7 14 15 39 51 29
Bristol R.	34 10 15 9 36 41 29
Abercree	34 12 17 5 42 53 29
Bournemouth	34 10 16 8 31 45 28
Queen's P.R.	31 10 16 8 33 54 27
Brentford	36 8 21 7 31 70 23
Merthyr	35 8 22 5 30 58 21

Northern Section.

Team	P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.
Darlington	34 22 5 7 21 23 51
Neison	34 21 9 4 63 35 46
Bradford	35 16 8 11 75 36 43
Southport	37 19 7 28 30 41
N. Brighton	33 16 11 6 62 46 38
Rochdale	34 16 12 6 60 47 38
Lincoln	36 16 14 6 52 52 38
Accrington	34 13 12 9 49 36 37
Chesham	34 12 8 9 49 34 36
Halifax	34 12 8 9 49 34 36
Crawley	35 11 12 12 46 59 34
Barrow	34 14 12 6 44 54 34
Wigan	34 10 13 11 50 57 31
Doncaster	35 12 16 4 46 55 31
Accrington	34 12 15 7 52 62 31
Gainsborough	34 12 15 7 43 47 31
Walsall	35 11 16 8 37 44 30
Durham	34 9 14 11 36 63 29
Trammore	33 12 18 3 49 62 28
Hartlepool	34 9 16 9 36 54 27
Wrexham	35 10 18 7 38 56 27
Rotherham	35 6 22 7 37 74 19

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Team	P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.
Airdrieonians	34 24 4 6 83 30 54
Hibernians	36 22 6 8 78 38 52
Rangers	33 21 3 9 56 22 51
Celtic	34 16 11 7 64 42 39
Partick T.	35 14 11 10 58 54 38
Cowdenbeath	36 16 13 10 70 63 35
Railt R.	34 11 14 9 49 55 33
Hamilton A.	33 15 16 3 51 52 33
Dumfries	34 13 14 7 42 50 33
Hearts	35 11 14 10 60 64 32
Aberdeen	33 10 13 10 42 48 31
St. Mirren	32 13 15 4 54 58 30
St. Johnstone	34 10 14 10 51 63 30
Morton	34 11 15 8 40 62 30
Kilmarnock	35 10 16 9 46 61 29
Third Lanark	36 10 18 8 47 60 28
Falkirk	33 9 15 9 50 56 27
Motherwell	33 10 16 7 40 43 27
Queen's Park	34 9 18 7 41 67 25
Ayr United	35 9 16 7 41 65 25

APPRECIATION.

PORT ENGINEER HONOURED

FAREWELL DINNER.

As tangible evidence of their appreciation of the works he has carried through in connection with the development of the port during his service with the Public Works Department an embroidered scroll and address were presented by building contractors of Hongkong to Mr. John Duncan, M. Inst. C.E., Chartered Civil Engineer and Port Engineer, Hongkong, at a dinner at the Man Kwok Restaurant on Saturday evening.

For health reasons Mr. Duncan is retiring from Government service and is returning home on Friday by the Empress of Russia. His party, at the dinner consisted of Messrs. A. Anderson, T. Black, E. S. S. Bowman, G. R. Fenton and W. J. S. Key.

The presentation was made by Mr. Chan Chi-sang, Secretary of the Building Contractors' Association, who said he was voicing the sentiments of those present when he said that Mr. Duncan's decision to retire had produced profound regret among them. His unfailing courtesy and ready response to those seeking his advice had endeared him to all those who had had the pleasure to work under him. By his retirement the Government would lose a very capable servant, whose versatility as an engineer had been proved by the many successful building projects carried through under his supervision. The Yau-mat Typhoon Shelter Breakwater, for an instance, was a monument of Mr. Duncan's ability and constructive genius. Built after the disastrous typhoon of 1906, which exacted a most heavy toll among boatpeople, the shelter had proved a real haven of security to the smaller craft. Mr. Chan concluded by wishing Mr. Duncan long life and prosperity. (Applause.)

THE ADDRESS.

Mr. Chan Chi-sang then read the address as follows: "On the occasion of your departure from the Colony, we, the undersigned Chinese Contractors of Hongkong, are desirous of placing on record our great appreciation of the work carried out by you during your period of service with the Government."

"The designing of large undertakings such as the Yau-mat shelter, the Queen's Statue pier, the extensive reclamation works both in Hongkong and Kowloon, have been the work of your hands and we have carried them out to the entire satisfaction of the Government always under your excellent guidance and wise instruction."

"In our opinion, your work has contributed in no small way to the beauty and worth of the Colony and has been mainly instrumental in placing it in the forefront of the world's greatest ports. You will be remembered for many years to come, as one who combined utility with beauty and dignity of design, and in the finished conceptions of your genius, will leave behind you, that to which the community will always look with pride."

"We trust that the voyage to your Mother Country will be pleasant and that in the years which lie ahead of you, advancement to the highest rank will come, as you so richly deserve."

"In token of our great appreciation of your help, and for the pleasure of your friendship, we have accepted of a silk embroidered commemorative scroll, which bears a Chinese inscription, meaning 'Great ability, ever increasing,' together with this humble address."

Mr. Lam Lau, of Sang Lee and Company, and Mr. Tam Shu-hong of Wing Lee and Company, endorsed the remarks of the previous speaker. Mr. Lam Lau took the opportunity of thanking Mr. Duncan for his valuable help in the Praya Reclamation work. He regretted that Mr. Duncan could not remain to see this important project completed, adding that his advice would be greatly missed.

Mr. Duncan who appeared to be moved was applauded on rising to reply. He thanked the Building Contractors' Association for the dinner and the handsome gift. He would treasure the present, which would remind him of the many friends he had made during his stay in Hongkong. He thanked his host for the flattering remarks about his work. For what he had been able to accomplish he owed largely to the close co-operation of the Chinese contractors whose reliability and keen sense of duty had always been a matter for admiration. (Applause.)

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COLONY'S ROADS.

AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION'S WORK.

PRESIDENT AND CRITICISM.

Conditions leading to the provision for local motorists of roads second to none with the regulation of traffic safe and satisfactory was the claim of the Chairman at the annual meeting yesterday of the Hongkong Automobile Association in referring to criticisms as to the extent of the operations of the Association. The Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird (President) was in the chair and there was a fair gathering of members present.

After the notice convening the meeting had been read, the Chairman said:

Gentlemen, the Accounts for the year ending the 31st December 1924 have been in your hands for a few days and with your permission I will take them as read. In connection therewith you will notice that the membership of the Association remains round about 300, for although 130 new members joined during the year several former members either left the Colony or went on leave. The funds of the Association are now very satisfactory, there being on Fixed Deposit \$4,000, and time last year the subscription was raised from \$5 to \$10 so that a sufficient sum might be collected to carry on with, but as it does not seem necessary to pile up funds well consider whether the subscription for next year be reduced to the former sum of \$5 per annum.

In this connection I think it might be as well to let members understand the status of this Association. The Association was formed in the year 1918 to enable motorists to be united together for subscription payable annually so that their interests might be watched and represented in official circles, and I think these objects have been successfully achieved. It was never intended to form a vast organization such as is in vogue in England and it is unfair to compare the two associations. It must be remembered that at home there is a very large membership running into thousands with an annual income of several thousand pounds sterling which enables the Home Association to afford facilities to its members upon a large scale where paid servants are employed. This is quite impossible here where not only is the membership very small but where all work is done voluntarily except for a small fee paid to the Treasurers.

DEPARTMENTAL ASSISTANCE.

The operations of the Association cannot extend beyond the general watching of the interests of motorists unless it is desired to form a much larger organization with a larger annual subscription with paid servants. Can this be done and if so who is going to do it? It is very doubtful whether anyone attempting to do so would receive adequate support. Those who are ready to criticise are the last to give the smallest voluntary assistance. I can assure members that their interests are being watched in this Colony and those who drive comfortably about the roads and streets in their cars should appreciate the fact that they find roads second to none with the regulation of traffic safe and satisfactory, but these conditions are only possible through the close attention the Association gives such matters. Your committee is in touch with the Government and the police, authorities at all times and any recommendations made, and there have been many, are always promptly attended to and I may here fittingly express our thanks to these departments responsible.

During the year your committee have from time to time been approached for advice and assistance by members and this has been given where possible, but it may be that the incoming committee might consider the engagement of a solicitor upon retainer to give members free advice and assistance if this can be done with the funds available.

During the year the traffic control has been much improved and although there are minor annoyances at times, I think on the whole there is not justification for much complaint. The one-way traffic at the junction of Caine Road, the Peak Road and Kennedy Road is an improvement and the lights at night and in wet weather at the various danger points are satisfactory and a help to safety.

The opening of the Wong-ni-chong Road has brought the other side of the Island within easy reach. This road is temporarily closed and will, we hope, be opened again shortly in a much improved state.

The surface of the road through Pokfulam round the Island is excellent except for one or two places where extensive drainage works and building are proceeding but these will be put right as soon as possible.

GETTING ACROSS.

The question of transportation across the Harbour is a vexed one

and should attract the attention of the Government. Presentations have been made to the Government but they seem to be a desire to leave the matter to private enterprise. This we do not agree with, and in a place like Hongkong we are far behind times in such an important matter and the Government should that an adequate means of transport is provided.

There is a noticeable increase in the number of cars in the Colony and it is pleasing to see so many new cars of British manufacture and more representation of British cars. The British car of today is not more expensive than American and in running expenses the American car cannot be compared with the British car. We shall hope to see more. Members have availed themselves of the facilities offered to members, whilst in the Hong Country, and presenting letters of introduction from this Association, and the courtesy and assistance shown them is very much appreciated. This Association's badge is officially recognised at Home if carried on the car whilst touring the country, and any facilities the Home badge carries are also given to members carrying our badge.

DEATH OF MEMBERS.

We have to record with deep regret the death of the following members of the Association, Mr. A. G. Stephen, Commandr. Back with Mr. H. W. Chaney and Mr. R. Earnshaw. Our deep sympathy is extended to their families and relatives.

After the adoption of the accounts before you have been proposed and seconded, I shall be pleased to answer any question to the best of my ability. We will proceed to elect the officers for the year and in connection any member eligible, and if any member will let the meeting know he is willing to serve on the Committee I am sure he will be elected.

In conclusion, gentlemen, I assure you will join me in rendering our very sincere thanks to our hardworking Hon

NOMINATIONS IN POPULARITY CONTEST
CLOSED TO-DAY.Count Of Votes Published To-day For last Time
Before Official Tally.

Is your name in the list to-day in the China Mail and Sunday Herald Campaign? The ballot box in the Campaign office was opened this morning and the votes counted for publication for the last time before the count at 6 p.m. on Saturday. As soon as the votes were tallied, the box was officially sealed, a slot being left open to receive the ballots.

CONTESTANTS MAY POLL ALL RESERVE VOTES NOW as the ballot box will not be opened again until opened by the Judges in the Hongkong Hotel Grill Room on Saturday night.

Nominations Closed.

Nominations are closed now in the Campaign. No new contestants may enter the race. Any contestant, however, whose name has been in the list may be reinstated with his full votes by turning in enough subscriptions to qualify. All contestants whose names appear in the list to-day will positively win a prize on Saturday night.

NO PERSONAL CHEQUES OF OVER \$36.00 WILL BE ACCEPTED BY THE CAMPAIGN DEPARTMENT AFTER TO-MORROW NIGHT.

Contestants having cheques should get them cashed or certified. These regulations are made so that there will be no hitch and every contestant may secure his votes in plenty of time.

The prizes are all on display at the various stores they were purchased from, and are ready to be delivered to the winning contestants.

Many people are speculating on who is going to win. To-day the leader of the list has a little over two million and a half votes. There is still plenty of time for many of the contestants far down in the list to jump to the top.

Subscriptions may be turned in right up to the last minute at 6 p.m. next Saturday night. The leaders in the race are so close that one or two subscriptions will throw anyone up several places. Just think! One subscription, one lone yearly subscription, may make anyone of several contestants a successful winner of a motor car, a piano, a phonograph, or one of the other exceptionally fine rewards. Do not hesitate. Get that last subscription to-day that will make you a winner and will put you over the top.

OUR GREAT MOTOR CAR CLUB.

THE FOLLOWING ARE THOSE WHO ARE QUALIFIED TO WIN PRIZES ON SATURDAY NIGHT.

Name.	Votes.
H. Chon—Equitable Eastern Bank	2385620
Miss D. Wicheil—Cox's Path, Kowloon	2652010
W. E. Van Epps—Brown, Jones & Co.	2139780
Miss Rose Lau—59, Caine Road	2035890
Miss Amy Stonham—15a, Orient Building, Kowloon	1742340
Miss Elsa Eca da Silva—Thoresen & Co.	1736490
Alec. B. Allan—H.M. Naval Yard	1695720
Basil Fung—4, West End Terrace	1618760
Miss Mimi Alves—6, Carnarvon Building, Kowloon	1463900
Mrs. Molly D. Lee—5, Shelley Street	1413955
Mrs. E. E. Ellis—Hongkong Hotel	1392510
Miss G. Ellis—10, Ice House Street	1251160
R. C. Rass—Douglas S.S. Co.	1176260
Mrs. C. J. Roe—2, Observatory Villas	1001850
Doris Lee—9, Seymour Road	991140
Miss R. Mow Fung—Gilman & Co., Ltd.	882750
W. J. Wilkinson—Hongkong Land Investment Co.	825010
C. de Mello—5, Kennedy Road	634710
C. Bond—Gande, Price & Co.	625040
James Chue—American Consulate	614850
Edith H. Kee—260, Queen's Road	543280
Miss Annie Tolan—20, Nathan Road	510650
Miss Alice Lau—Plang, Ltd., Asiatic Building	452420
Miss Lolita da Sousa—1, Aimal Villas, Kowloon	440000
A. C. Greaves—3, Excelsior Terrace	272100
Mrs. Elsie Danenberg—1, The Albany	176540
Miss Chenallo—Nestle Milk Co.	167890

"OH, DOCTOR!"

LAST SHOWING THIS EVENING.

"One of the most amusing comedies that has ever come to Hongkong" is the general verdict on "Oh, Doctor!" which is being screened in the Coronet Theatre again this evening, the season having been extended one day to meet the great demand for seats. "Oh, Doctor!" is the story of a young man who fancies himself a confirmed invalid until one day he falls in love with a pretty young nurse who insists that the man she will marry must be strong and of valiant heart. Forthwith the "invalid" plunges into one reckless escapade after another with results at once thrilling and amusing. The fact that three old gentlemen have lent him a small fortune on a security that will be worthless if he dies within three years adds further spice to the fun, and altogether it can be agreed that "Oh, Doctor!" is certainly one of the most amusing comedies that has ever come to Hongkong.

Fines of \$10 and \$5 were imposed at the Marine Court yesterday morning on the owner of the steam-launch Hing Wo for not reporting to the Harbour Office the licence number of a new coxswain he had engaged and not exhibiting the vessel's licence on board. Eleven small craft masters and mistresses were each fined \$5, three for lying inshore at night and the others for obstructing the Yaumati Government Coal Pier. A conservancy junk was fined \$25 for anchoring in the cable reserve between Blake Pier and the "Star" Ferry Wharf.

Isaacson ran what he called a "Three-penny and sixpenny shop." One day a woman came in, chose a toy, and put a sixpence in Isaacson's hand. "Excuse me, madam," he exclaimed, "but those toys are ninepence each." "But, goodness! I thought this was a three-penny and sixpenny shop," said the customer. "Well, madam, I leave it to you," was the reply. "How much is three-pence and sixpence?"

PIANO RECITAL.

MR. HARRY ORE'S PUPILS.

It is impossible not to be impressed with the fact that the effort in certain directions, to "acquire the art of pianoforte playing from those best qualified to teach it, is very real. This, and also the fact that those who have set themselves this task are doing so in no uncertain way, was again demonstrated last night in the City Hall when a number of Mr. Harry Ore's pupils submitted a programme of items showing not merely the technical facility to which they have attained, but also a measure of true interpretation without which any abundance of technique is of no avail. The programme seemed to show the pupils in various stages of proficiency. Master L. Judah opened with a simple "Serenade" by Grisar, in which he accomplished the runs to perfection and brought a simple sweet tone from the instrument. In quick succession there followed Miss P. Lawrence, Miss N. Thorburn and Miss Daisy Ma, the latter being applauded for a brilliant piece of fingering in Lavelle's "Butterfly." Miss A. dos Remedios, Miss Ada Leon and Miss E. Dunbar submitted offerings by Schubert-Liszt, Liszt, and Chopin, with much acceptance. The recital was made additionally attractive by two solos by Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith. Rachmaninov's Prelude in G. Flat is too little known. It is beautiful and last night received that treatment which can only be described as impressive. Arensky's Etude in F. Sharp is not unlike other compositions in this genre—a fluid nature. It is saved by a theme for the left hand, which as played by Mr. Bowes-Smith was a delight to hear, setting out in more picturesque relief the brilliance of the treble portion of the piece. Mr. Harry Ore wound up an hour's delight with a superb rendering of Chopin's Nocturne and his own Lettish Rhapsody.

Harduppe: "I always do my hardest work before breakfast." Borrowwell: "What's that?" Harduppe: "Getting up."

WHO'S WHO.

LATEST CHINA COAST CHANGES.

Mr. W. Atkinson, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Mingsang.

Mr. J. W. Stoneham, acting chief officer, Mingsang, has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. H. M. Miller, acting second officer, Mingsang, has gone third officer, same ship.

Mr. G. Porterfield, from leave, has gone second engineer, Lianshing.

Mr. J. McTavish, acting second engineer, Lianshing, has gone third engineer, same ship.

Mr. J. Colquhoun, third engineer, Lianshing, has gone sup'y third engineer, same ship.

Mr. C. E. Page, chief officer, Charles Hardouin, has gone acting master, Paul Beau.

Mr. H. Cornwell, acting master, Paul Beau, has gone chief officer, Charles Hardouin.

Captain W. Brewer, from leave, has gone master, Hydrangea.

Mr. W. H. Watson, acting master, Hydrangea, has gone chief officer, same ship.

Mr. C. Bailey, acting chief officer, Hydrangea, has gone third officer, Haiching.

Mr. R. Elvidge, third officer, Haiching, is on reserve.

Mr. W. Wilkinson has been appointed second officer, Haiching.

Mr. T. Gore has been appointed third officer, Haiyang.

Mr. W. B. Richardson, second officer, Haiyang, has gone acting chief officer, same ship.

Mr. W. H. Bennett, chief officer, Haiyang, is on leave.

Mr. D. L. Jones, second officer, Kiangsu, has gone second officer, Taming.

Mr. P. R. Harris, second officer, Taming, is on reserve.

Mr. S. Ahern, from reserve, has gone second officer, Fatsan.

Mr. D. Brochie, second officer, Chekiang, has gone acting chief officer, Chusan.

Mr. J. W. Hurst has been appointed second officer, Chekiang.

Mr. G. Boyle, chief officer, Chusan, has resigned.

Mr. D. T. Nicholas, second officer, Kanchow, has resigned.

Mr. T. B. Low, from reserve, has gone acting chief officer, Ngankin.

Mr. L. L. Foxall has been appointed second officer, Kansu.

Mr. B. W. Storey, third engineer, Sunning, has gone third engineer, Chengtu.

Mr. J. McBride, third engineer, Chengtu, has gone third engineer, Sunning.

Mr. H. M. Miller, second officer, Mingsang, has gone third officer, Cheongshing.

Mr. H. M. Neilson, third officer, Cheongshing, is on reserve.

Mr. P. R. Haddis, second officer, Taming, is on reserve.

Mr. R. L. Barkus, third engineer, Wosang, has gone to shore duty.

Mr. H. L. Lee, from reserve, has gone third engineer, Wosang.

Capt. O. B. Wilks, from reserve, has gone master, Bataria.

Captain A. W. Hall, of the Telemachus, has gone master, Pheumphen.

Captain E. D. Holmes, of the Pheumphen, has gone master, Telemachus.

Mr. T. W. Spence, from reserve, has gone second officer, Loksun.

Mr. S. N. Petroff, second officer, Loksun, is on reserve.

Mr. R. Kettlewell, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Haldis.

Mr. W. Wilson, acting chief officer, Haldis, has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. J. McDonald, second officer, Haldis, is on reserve.

Mr. C. A. Hille, from reserve, has gone second officer, Pong Tong.

Mr. J. S. Kirpatrick, second officer, Pong Tong, is on reserve.

Mr. G. H. S. Page, chief officer, New Mathilda, has gone chief officer, Borneo.

Mr. R. A. Pritchard, chief officer, Borneo, has gone chief officer, New Mathilda—Shipping and Engineering.

TOURISTS ARRIVE.

HONGKONG'S DRIZZLING WELCOME.

SOME NOTABLE VISITORS.

The Cunard liner *Frankonia* with over 350 round-the-world tourists arrived this morning and berthed at the Kowloon wharf.

The passage from Manila was described as having been a calm one, and as far as could be gathered the journey until this stage had been a pleasant one for the passengers. With drizzling rain and the whole of Hongkong enveloped in mist, the tourists were disappointed in gaining first impressions, but nothing daunted, the first contingent of visitors for Canton (about 90) boarded the "Star" ferry boat to catch the s.s. *Fatshan*, which sailed at 8 o'clock. The band of the *Frankonia* accompanied them to provide entertainment on the way.

Amongst some of the distinguished passengers are the following:—Mr. Samuel Mather, of Cleveland, Ohio, one of America's richest men; Mr. E. L. Colby, shipping magnate; General Milton J. Foreman, of Chicago, who served in the great war; Mrs. Elsie Lincoln Benedict, of Los Angeles, author of famous psychological publications; Capt. A. G. Pearson, D.S.O., and Mrs. Pearson, of London; Capt. G. B. Wilson, M.C., and Mrs. Wilson, of London; Mr. R. P. M. Davis, of Mount Union, Penn., manufacturer of building materials, who is travelling with his wife and three daughters; Mrs. Edward R. Kellogg, of Los Angeles; Col. Francis T. A. Junkin, of Chicago; Mr. Edward Bingham Allen, and Mr. Edmund E. Allene, of Cleveland; Mr. Ralph Paine Benedict, of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Annin W. Brand, of New York; Mr. Eric Craven, of Sunderland, England; Mr. and Mrs. Hancock, English, of Memphis, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel K. Knight, of Burlingame, California; Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. McNew, also from Burlingame.

Mr. Ross H. Skinner (Cruise Director), Mr. R. A. Ginnell (Associate) Director and a large staff of Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son's organization are travelling on the vessel to ensure the comfort of the passengers. They are assisted by the permanent staff of the Company at their offices en route. A feature of the present cruise is that all the arrangements both ashore and afloat are entirely in the hands of Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son.

There will be a daily contingent of visitors to Canton, until Friday. There will also be two trips to Macao, and extensive excursions in the New Territories, trips round the island, and visits to Repulse Bay and the Peak. The afternoons will be free for the visitors to do local sight-seeing and shopping.

The vessel will sail for Shanghai on Saturday night.

BILLIARDS TOURNNEY.

At the V.R.C. last night, E. W. Spry defeated C. P. O. W. Drayton in the second round of the Billiards Championship by 800 points to 351. Spry meets Wong Po-hang in the third round on April 7.

The highest breaks were (Spry) 53, 48, 30 and (Drayton) 21. At 6 p.m. to-night P. O. Peters meets J. Thomas in the second round. Play will be in two sessions.

BASKETBALL.

Having won the Colony's basketball competition, South China A.C. are to meet the Rest at the Y.M.C.A. at 7.30 this evening after which the shield and prizes will be presented.

The South China tennis competition—Cheung Chung-sing (head of the section), Ho Ka-lun (captain), Lam Ming-fan, Lok I. Wong, Tat-yang, Wat Pak-hung, Wong To-ying, Lai Sze-chiu, and P. K. Wong.

BOXING.

C. P. O. Jim Cartledge is likely to be in the ring on April 20, when it is hoped to pit him against Andre Dupre, described as the undefeated feather-weight champion of France.

Mr. J. Brook, Manager of the Hongkong Boxing Association, has received a cable from Dupre, the latter accepting the terms of the Association to fight in Hongkong. Dupre has defeated Battling Key, the Straits boxer who was up here some time ago.

New York, March 29.—The New York World announces that Mr. Joseph Widener, of Philadelphia, has purchased from Lord Spencer's collection of Titians, the *Venus* and *Adonis* whose value is estimated at a million dollars—Reuter's American Service.

THE JUDGE'S PORT.

LORD COLERIDGE'S STORIES.

Lord Coleridge's new book "This for Remembrance" (Fisher Unwin, 15s.) has a very special charm, and its appeal will not be limited to those who appeared before him in court and have kindly remembrances of his unfailing courtesy.

The general reader will find much to interest him in the extracts from the diary of the author's grandfather, Sir John Taylor Coleridge, with reminiscences of Southey, Wordsworth, and Sir Walter Scott. Members of the Par will gather from the collection of "focoseria" a rich store of amusing anecdotes for robing-room and circuit mess.

The tale of the man who "fell off a scaffold outside Newgate" while talking to a clergyman is a new and good version of the old story. A story of Sir William Grant, Master of the Rolls, recalls the famous "three-bottle" men.

In those days the court went back to sit after dinner, which was early. Sir William always dined alone. The butler brought two bottles of port. When dinner was over, he came, looked at the bottles, and if any wine was left in either, he brought coffee. If none was left, he brought two more bottles. And after that Grant went into court and delivered judgments which are the envy of the legal world.

At service in Magdalen College, Oxford, Mr. Gladstone, "fired with religious enthusiasm and being very musical, sang loudly" during a part of the service when the congregation were for the most part content to listen. This attracted the notice of the college dean, who sent for Mr. Gladstone and remonstrated with him.

"Why," said Mr. Gladstone, "is it not the house of God?"

"Not at all," said the dean. "It is a college chapel!"

This is on a par, as Lord Coleridge says, with the story of the gentleman entering a church and inquiring in hushed tones of the vergers whether the church was open for private prayer.

Aye, said the annoyed vergers, "I topped two on 'em at it yesterday."

£200 MURDERS.

SHOTS FROM MOTOR-CARS.

The great war between the Chinese Tong, or clanish secret societies, which is the queerest that America has witnessed in a generation, is apparently drawing to a close. A peace conference is sitting in New York.

For the first time since a weird series of assassinations began last October the police made some important arrests.

They captured a young American gunman, John V. Clark, aged 23, at Chicago. Clark is charged with having acted as a murder agent of the Hip Sing Tong in the war against the On Leung Tong, in a number of large cities.

He has confessed that he was engaged as a "pay-off" man in the war and as a chauffeur to Chinese assassins.

He drove the Tong warriors in a motor-car to five cities where murders were committed.

Clark says that the Hip Sing Tong pay general rates to the warriors, the scale of pay being \$200 for a murder, \$50 for wounding a victim, and \$10 for "shooting up" a victim in their business establishments or homes.

The Chinese in the war now ending have adopted the most up-to-date methods of the American professional murderer. They have, for the most part, abandoned the use of hatchets, and instead of turning their heads when firing, they have aimed straight.

Many of their raiding parties have shot victims from a motor-car while driving rapidly through the crowded streets of Chinatown.

As a result of Clark's confession, the Chicago police have arrested 30 Chinese. Clark identified 6 of them as his assistants in different forms.

Four of these are being sent to Pittsburg to stand their trial for murder. Two will be tried at Chicago.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The R. F. s.s. "Diomed" left Liverpool on Mar. 21 for Straits, Hongkong, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama and is due here on or about Apr. 27.

The D.N.L. s.s. "President Harrison" which is due at this port on Apr. 17 sailed from New York on March 5—on schedule.

The M. V. s.s. "Sumatra" (twelfth East Asiatic Co., Ltd.) left Dunkirk on Mar. 25 and is due here on or about May 4.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Cargo arrived per s.s. "Belphegor" remaining undelivered after today will be subject to rent Agents. Cibo Livignone Co., Ltd.

Cargo arrived per s.s. "City of Durban" remaining undelivered after April 3 will be subject to rent Agents. The Bank Leu Ltd.

The Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club are making a presentation of plate to Mr. W. Sinclair and this may be seen at Messrs. Falconer's until Saturday.

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Had it not been for strikes and other delays the Government's wireless station at Rugby would have been in working order this month. But not until near the end of the year will Great Britain possess a wireless station capable of communicating with any part of the world.

Mr. E. H. Shaughnessy, assistant chief engineer at the General Post Office, stated that in addition to ordinary wireless telegraphy Rugby will be the centre of Government experiments in Transatlantic wireless telephony.

"When Rugby is in working order," he said, "perhaps the day will not be far distant when it will be possible for anyone who is a telephone subscriber to ring up and talk to a friend or business acquaintance in America at certain times of the day."

MESSAGES TO ANYWHERE. There will not be a portion of the Empire or a British ship on any of the seven seas to which it will not be possible to send a message at any hour of the day.

The "earth" for the station is being provided by laying 120 miles of copper wire, which is being buried about three inches deep by a specially constructed machine over an area of about 500 acres. The aerial is in two parts, with a straight run of a mile and a half.

There will be no similar station in any part of the Empire—with the exception of Glace Bay, Canada—capable of communicating with Britain, although there will be many able to pick up Rugby's signals.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The B. I. s.s. "Takada" left Amoy for this port yesterday and is due here this evening.

The P. & O. s.s. "Stella" left Shanghai for this port on Mar. 28 at 8.30 a.m. and was due here to-day at 5 a.m.

The P. L. s.s. "Gaelic Prince" from New York sailed from Shanghai on Mar. 23 and is expected to arrive here to-day.

The C. L. s.s. "Frankona" on her round-the-world cruise left Manila on Sunday for this port and was due here at daylight to-day.

The B. F. s.s. "Philotes" from Pacific Ports left Milko on Mar. 28 for this port and is due here to-morrow.

The P. & O. s.s. "Macedonia" left Singapore for this port with the outward English Mail and is due here on Apr. 2 at about 10 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Tilawa" left Singapore for this port on Mar. 28 at 8 p.m. and is due here on Apr. 2 at about 8 a.m.

The B. L. s.s. "Bancroft" from Leith, Middlebrook, Antwerp and London left Singapore for this port on Mar. 28 and is due to arrive here on Apr. 3.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" Capt. A. J. Hosken, R.N., Commander, was due at Hongkong today at 11 a.m.

The steamer will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama, at 6 a.m. on Apr. 3.

The A.O.L. s.s. "Pros. Madison" returns from Manila at 5 p.m. to-day arriving here at 7 a.m. on Apr. 2 and will sail for Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai and Japan at 5 p.m. on Apr. 3.

The A.O.L. s.s. "Pros. Jackson" which is due at this port on Apr. 3 sailed from Seattle on Mar. 16—on schedule.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Shimada Maru" left London for Hongkong via Cebu on Feb. 18 and is expected here on Apr. 6.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Yokohama on Mar. 27 a.m. and left Yokohama on Mar. 28 p.m. and is due at Vancouver on Apr. 6.

The B. F. s.s. "Agamemnon" left Liverpool on Mar. 1 for Straits, Hongkong, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama and is due at this port on Apr. 10.

The C.P. s.s. R.M.S. "Empress of Australia" left Vancouver for Hongkong via Japan ports and Shanghai, on Mar. 21 and is due here on Apr. 10.

The B.F. s.s. "Menelaus" from Liverpool left Suez on Mar. 17 for Straits, Hongkong, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama and is due at this port on Apr. 12.

The D. S. L. s.s. "President Monroe" which is due at this port on Apr. 13, sailed from San Francisco on Mar. 14—on schedule.

The B. F. s.s. "Master" from Liverpool left Suez on Mar. 16 for Hongkong, Shanghai and Hankow and is due at this port on about Apr. 17.

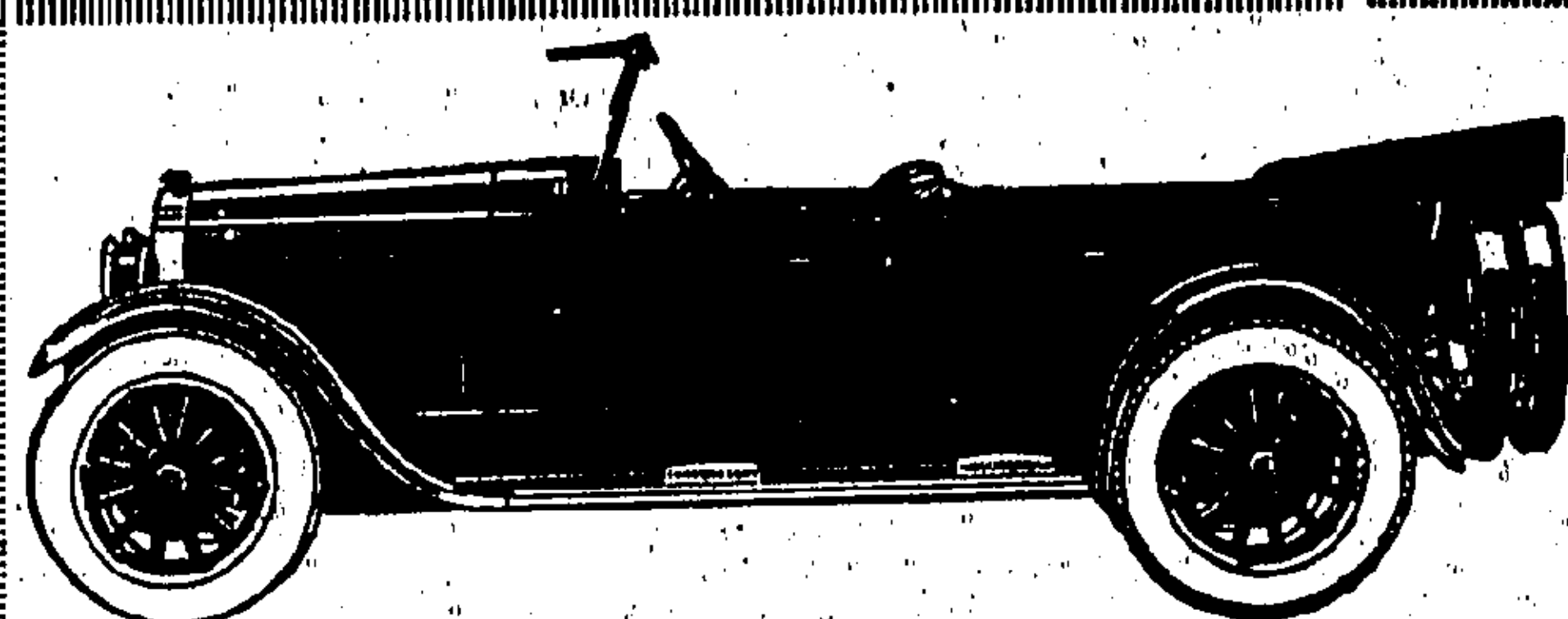
The B. F. s.s. "Calcutta" from New York left Suez on Mar. 16 for Straits, Philippines and Hongkong and is due at this port on April 16.

The A.O.L. s.s. "Pros. McKinley" which

THE CAMPAIGN WILL CLOSE ON APRIL 4TH

At 6 p.m. in The Campaign Office. Votes will be counted and the prizes will be awarded in the GRILL ROOM of the Hongkong Hotel starting at 9 p.m.

The Public is invited to watch the count—subscriptions may be turned in up to 6 p.m. on Saturday April 4th.



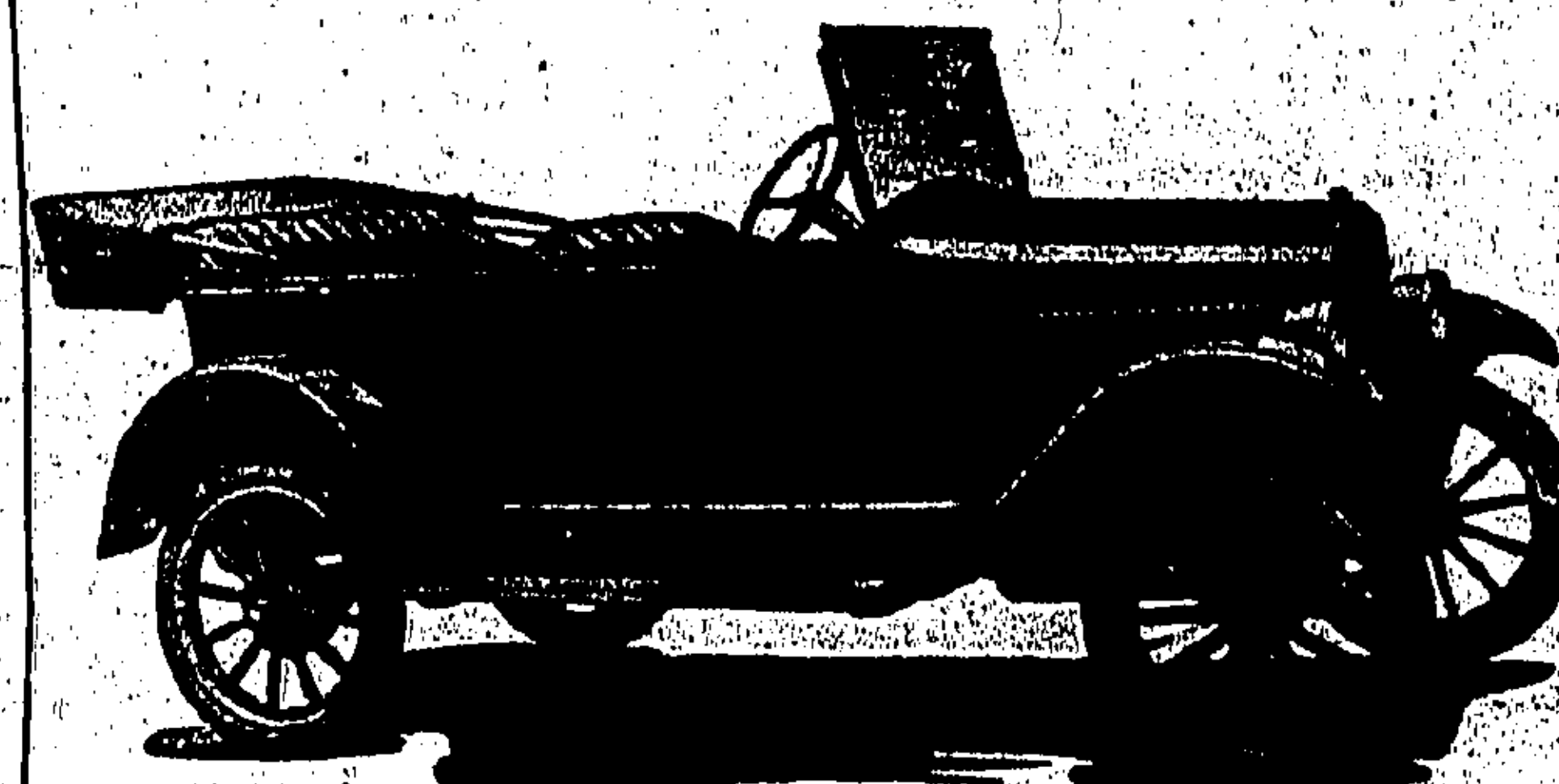
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Two Round Trip Tickets by the Steamers of the Douglas Steamship Company from Hongkong to Foochow (Pagoda Anchorage) via Swatow and Amoy; returning by the same steamer, including meals while the steamer is in port. Stay at Pagoda Anchorage—whence communication with Foochow can be made by the Company's Launch—48 hours; at Swatow and Amoy—7 hours; on upward and downward Voyage. Duration of Voyage 8 to 9 days.
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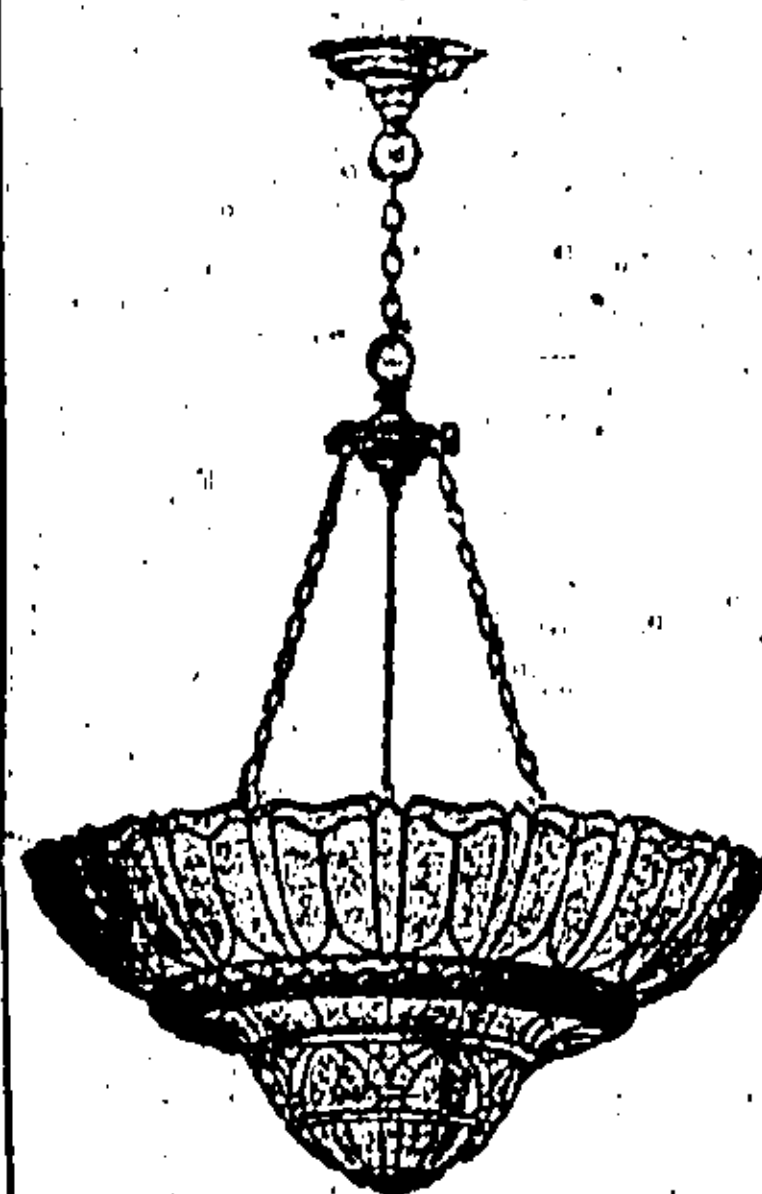
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The Little Theatre that shows the Big Pictures.

THE CLOSING.

Promptly at 6 p.m., on April 4, the Campaign will close in the office of the Campaign Department, Yee Sang Fat Building. All contestants in the office at that hour will be waited on and votes dropped in the ballot box. The box will be sealed and turned over to the judges who will take it to the Hongkong Hotel where the count will be made.

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\$300.00 Sleeper Monotrol Radio Set complete with special loud speaker. Purchased from, and on display at, De Sousa & Co., China Buildings.

\$250.00 Brunswick Cabinet Phonograph. Purchased from, and on display at, the Brunswick Studio, Yvanovich & Co., 17, Ice House Street.

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One dozen \$96.00 large Portraits purchased from Mee Fong Studio, 7, Wyndham Street.

One Pathe-Baby motion picture machine complete with six films and cleaning outfit, purchased from the Pathe-Orient, 72, Queen's Road.

One Pair of \$60.00 No. 8 power German Binoculars purchased from and on display at, N. Lazarus, 12, Queen's Road.

One two year subscription to the China Mail. Value \$72.00.

One ladies' gold wrist watch purchased from Wing On Co., Ltd.

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One case of Kitchener's Gin, purchased from and on display at H. Ruttonjee & Sons, 16, Queen's Road Central.

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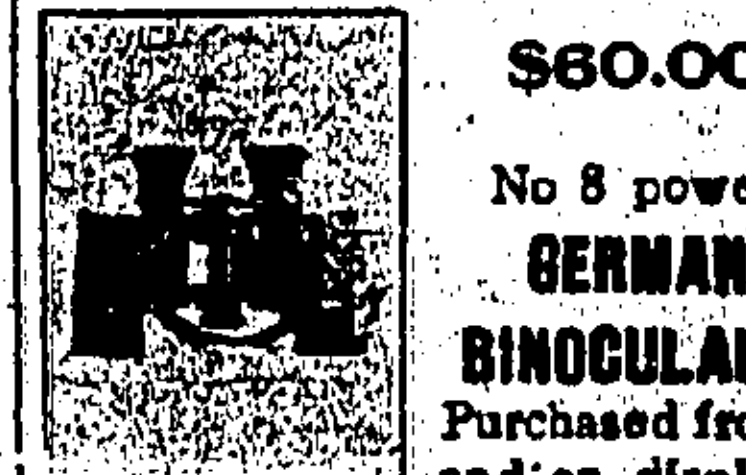
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One five year subscription to the Sunday Herald. Value \$25.00.

PRIZES AWARDED AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

The count of votes and awarding of prizes will take place in the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel, beginning at 9 p.m., April 4. As soon as all votes have been counted, the judges will immediately award the prizes. Contestants must be present or have a representative present in order to select the prize desired. Every contestant is requested to appoint one person to act as judge.



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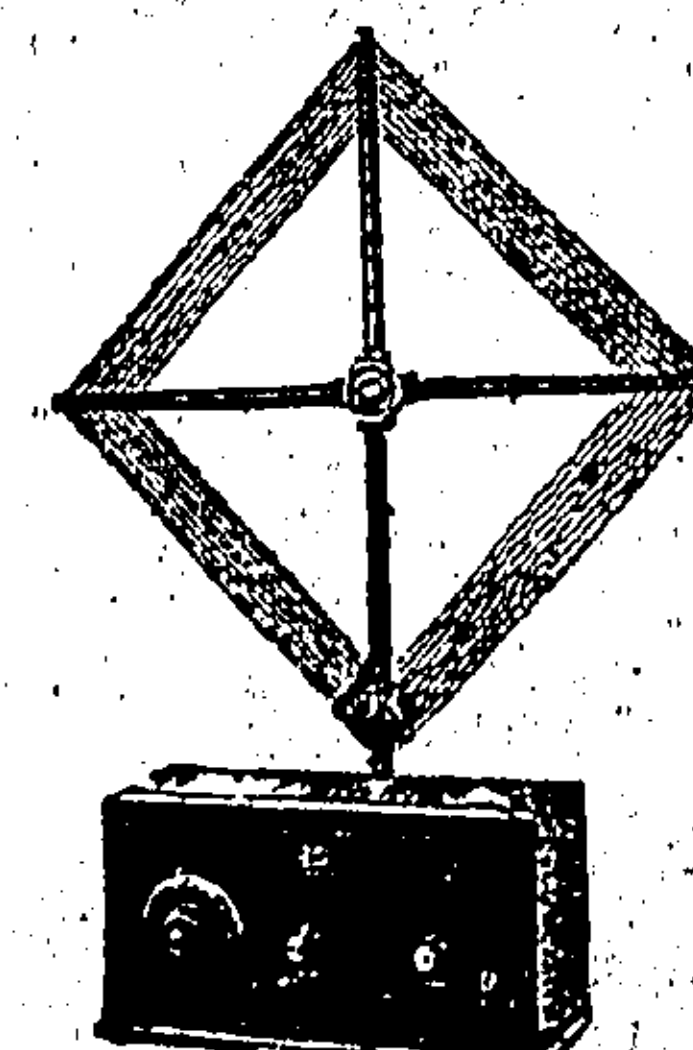
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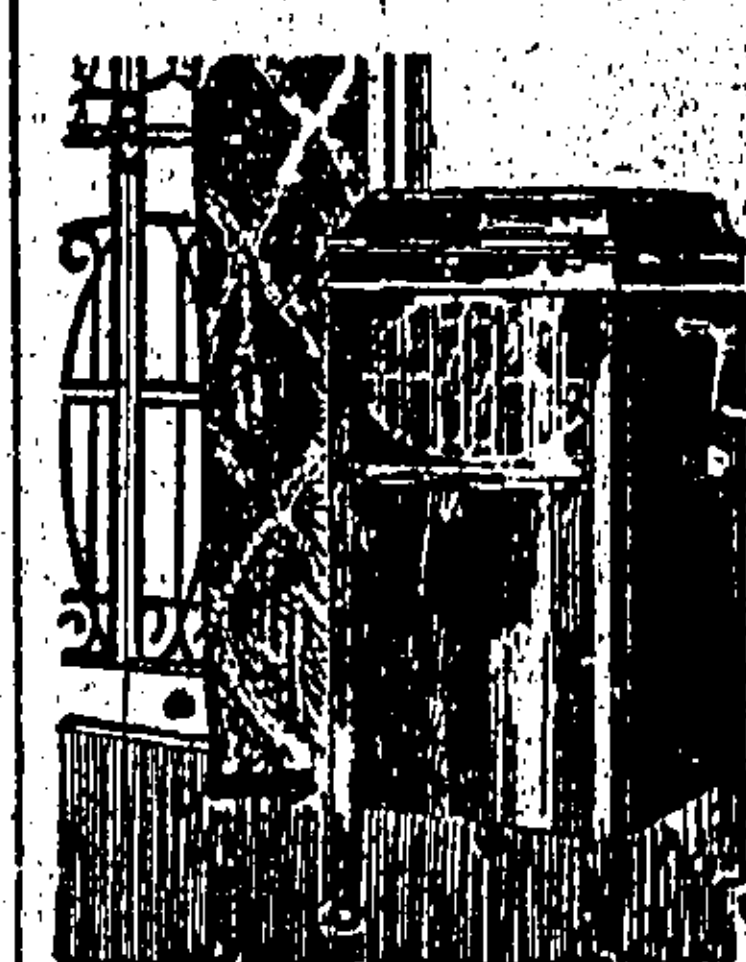
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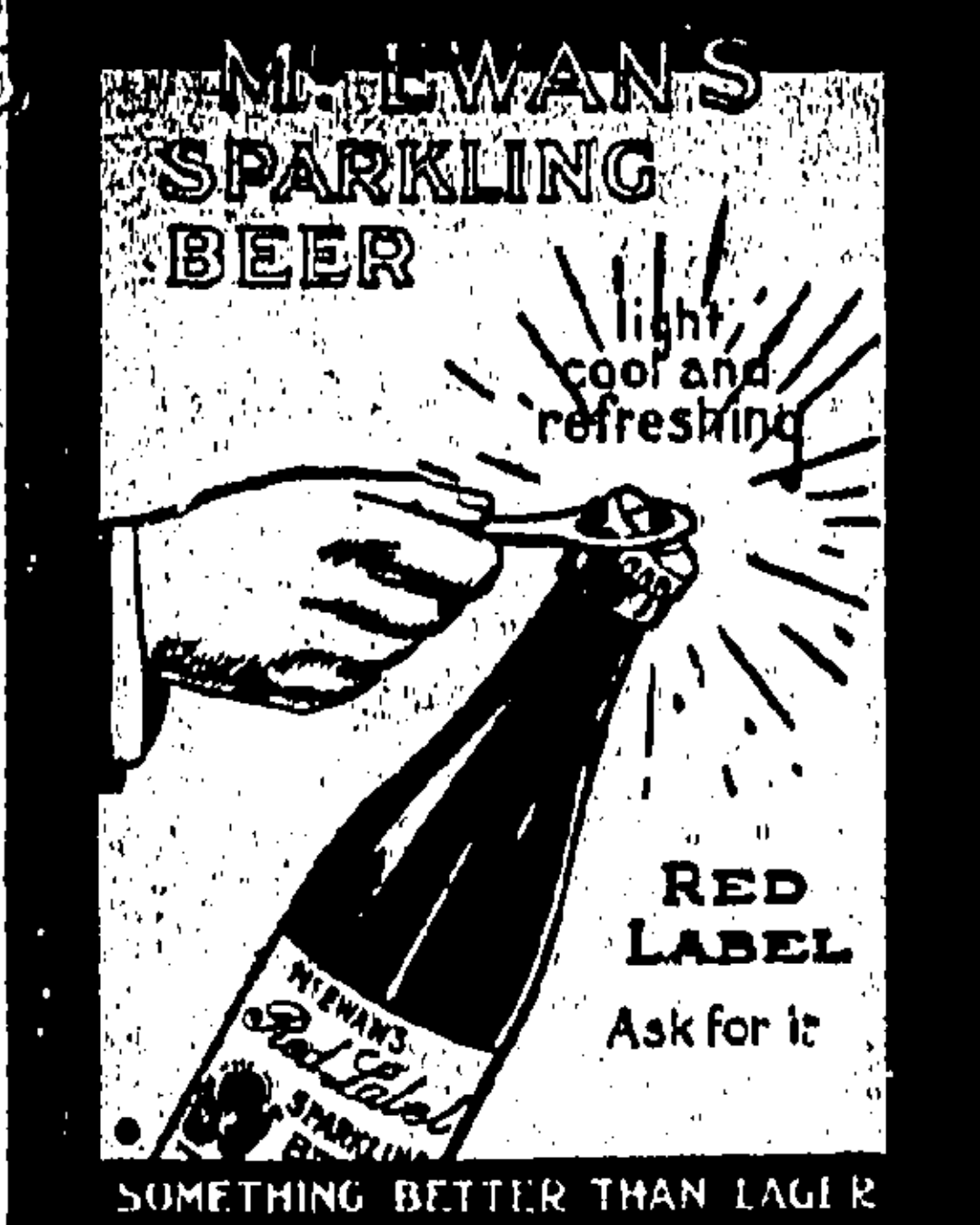
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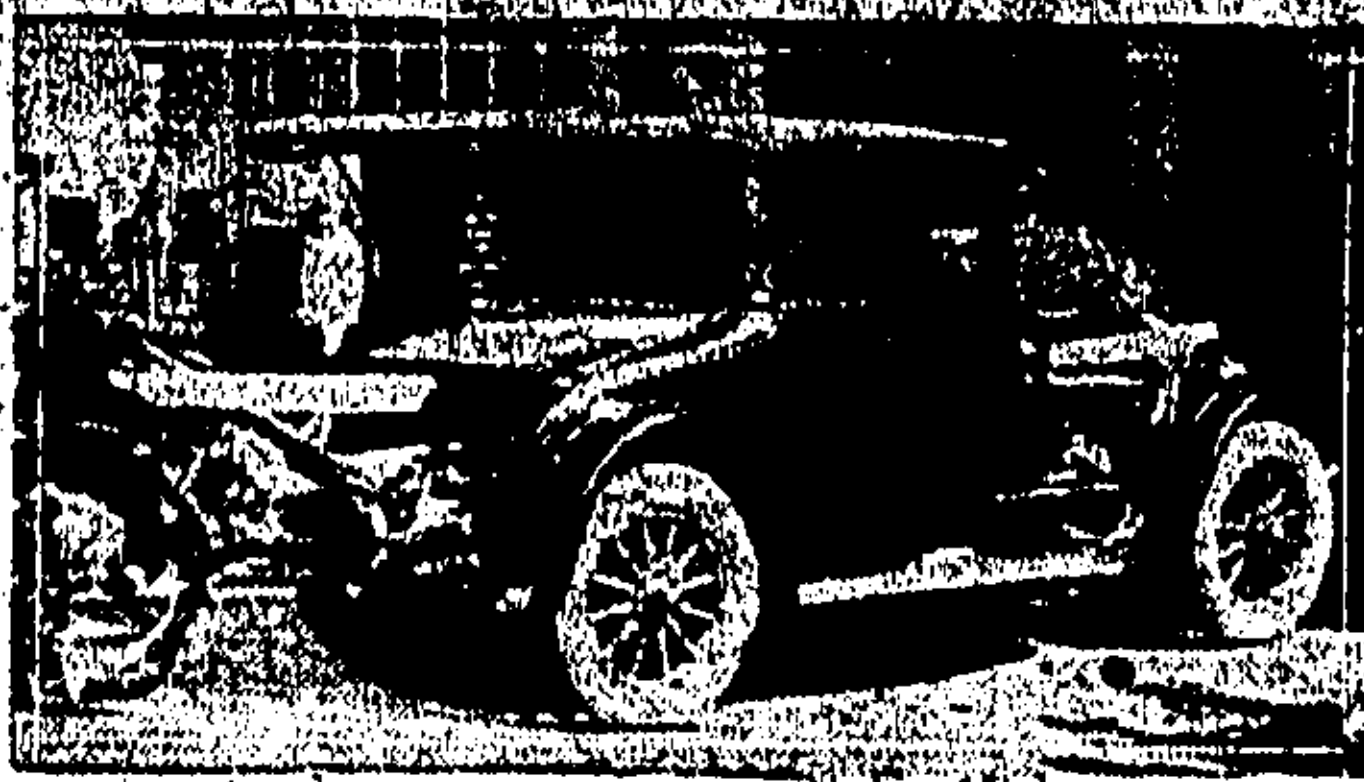
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ANOTHER MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.



Going at 35 miles an hour this car struck a wooden highway fence and knocked down five stout posts, stopping at the sixth with two sections of heavy top rail rammed clear through it from radiator to spare tire. The driver was not injured at all and his companion escaped with a broken leg and the loss of her skirt.



Jole Ray, celebrated track star.

BOYS' REMARKABLE FEAT.



Thomas Emory, 16, has made a huge cardboard model, perfect in architectural detail, of the Protestant Episcopal Cathedral of St. John the Divine.



OLIVER DENTON

Oliver Denton, celebrated pianist has been unable to give the police any information as to the whereabouts of Ethel Leginska famous pianist, who disappeared on the eve of a concert. Denton admitted that he and Miss Leginska were good friends, but said that was all, ending rumours that for the past nine years Leginska had sought to win his affections.

FRANTIC BATTLE TO SAVE IMPRISONED MAN.



ALMA CLARK, FLOYD COLLINS IN SAND CAVE, HOMER COLLINS & DOG.

Here is a photograph showing Floyd Collins, the explorer, entombed in Sand Cave, Kentucky, during an earlier expedition through one of the many caves which honeycomb the district. Alma Clark, Collins' fiancée, was a daily visitor to the cave where her sweetheart was imprisoned. They were to have been married on the day Collins' foot became wedged under a rock inside the cave. The other picture shows Homer Collins, brother of the imprisoned man, with the family's pet dog, who also was anxiously awaiting his master's return.



GLENN YOUNG

Glenn Young, Ku Klux Klan self-appointed dry rider and central figure in the deadly battles that have marked the feud of "Blood" Williamson County, Illinois, was shot dead, as was his chief lieutenant, George Forbes, in a pistol duel in Herrin, with Deputy Sheriff Ora Thomas, his long-time enemy, who was also killed. Several other persons were wounded in the fusillade.

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MOE TURMAN

Moe Turman, 27-years-old, has been arrested on charges of swindling in connection with a "frenzied finance" scheme that his victims say, would have rivalled Ponzi in another few months. At least \$1,200,000 in unsecured loans, and forged notes totalling \$1,600,000, with net losses of \$490,000, are reported. He is said to have promised his dupes 300 per cent. return. Turman declared he started ten years ago on \$100 borrowed capital and ran it into millions.

Opens New Shop.



MRS. MOLLY T. McADOO

Mrs. Mollie Tackaberry McAdoo, daughter-in-law of William Gibbs McAdoo, has gone into trade, having opened a china shop in her Los Angeles home, where she is putting her artistic talents into play.

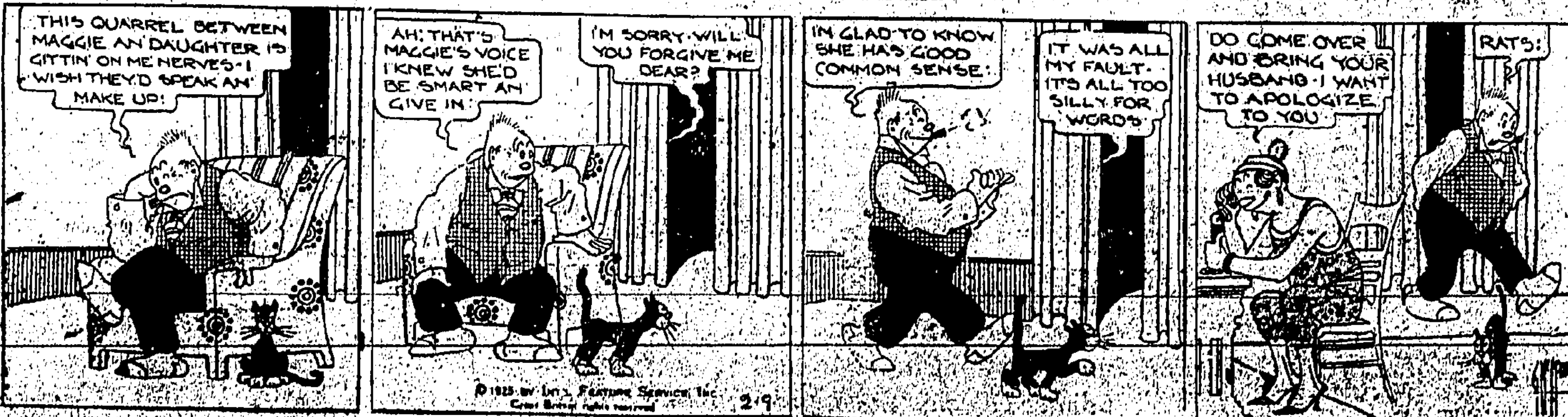
FIGURES IN THE NEWS SPOTLIGHT.



LADY GRACE ESMÉ MACKENZIE, FORMER COACH OF THE NEW YORK GIANTS, SAID TO HAVE BEEN EXONERATED BY A NEW YORK CITY GRAND JURY INVESTIGATION INTO THE O'CONNELL BRIBERY PLOT, IS REPORTED TO BE READY TO SUE JUDGE LANDIS FOR REINSTATEMENT IN BASEBALL. 19-YEAR-OLD CHICAGO GIRL, HAS BEEN MISSING FOR SEVERAL DAYS AND IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN KIDNAPPED.

In a bitter attack on the Paris pact regarding distribution of the indemnity paid by Germany under the Dawes Plan, United States Senator Hiram Johnson, declared the United States had been betrayed. Lady Grace Esme MacKenzie, famous for her big game hunting in Africa, has been married for the third time, to Frank Tengeus Jennings. "Cozy" Dolan, former coach of the New York Giants, said to have been exonerated by a New York City grand jury investigation into the O'Connell bribery plot, is reported to be ready to sue Judge Landis for reinstatement in baseball. 19-year-old Chicago girl, has been missing for several days and is believed to have been kidnapped.

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WORLD OF SPORT.

RACING

SHANGHAI AND HONGKONG.

Early Bird writes in the
Shanghai Times:

When about a couple of years
ago, drastic alterations were made
in regard to the qualifications
necessary to render ponies eligible
to run at the meetings of the two
clubs in Shanghai, there were
many who expressed the hope that
the Hongkong and other race clubs
would follow suit. It is obvious,
however, that the Hongkong Race
Club does not intend to do so and
at the recent meeting in the
Colony many ponies were raced
that had been registered by the
Inspection Committee here and
branded as rejected. Not only are
ponies coming within a definite
measurement accepted, but the
racing is not being confined to
geldings only. A mare which had
previously been in Tientsin was
started at the meeting and two
mares, understood to be purchased
for racing in Hongkong, have been
at exercise on the Shanghai track
whilst there is another here also
purchased for a Hongkong owner.

The attitude adopted by Hong-
kong may prove very beneficial
to racing if it is maintained for a
few years whilst other clubs are
prepared to stand aside and watch
results. At the present time there
are not enough of the type of pony
being rejected to go around to all
the race clubs and if accepted else-
where the prices become prohibitive
and only a few owners would
be able to afford them whilst other
members being unable to compete
would probably give up participat-
ing actively in racing.

I have always been in favour
of encouraging the bringing down
of these new types but realise that
unless some satisfactory methods of
classification of ponies can be
adopted racing must suffer, as it
probably has done to some extent
recently. If Hongkong accepts
them and the experiment is con-
fined to that one club there will
be no need to worry about
classification and some more definite
information may become available as
to the numbers of these ponies that
are obtainable.

It appears pretty obvious that the
China pony as understood three or
four years ago cannot beat these
newer types whose superiority must
be accepted. The general opinion
of those who have had much to do
with them is that they are more
tractable and very much more
valuable in their favour. The experiment
now being tried out at Hongkong
may eventually prove very beneficial
to racing if it is confined to one
club and others are prepared to
watch results for a year or two.

THE GRAND NATIONAL.

A STIFF TEST.

In many respects the Grand
National (won last Friday by
Double Chance) is the most roman-
tic horse race in the world—certainly
it is the most thrilling and the
most dangerous. To enumerate the
number of accidents the steeple-
chase has been responsible for since
it was inaugurated would make a
very long list.

The element of uncertainty in the
race makes betting a distinctly
more exciting game than it is in the
ordinary flat race. I saw a magni-
ficent 66 to 1 chance come off in
the Grand National of 1908. This
was Rubio, and his price was not
improved when the news got about
that he had weak legs and was trying
to strengthen them by the singular
method of harnessing him to a cart
and letting him pull it around on
hard roads. The method was suc-
cessful, however, although few
people had sufficient faith either in
it or the horse to take even a 66 to 1
chance.

I wonder how many people know
that only three horses have won
the great steeple-chase carrying 12
stone 2 lbs. or over? They were
Jerry M in 1912, Cloister in 1899,
and that wonderful and remarkably
intelligent horse, Manifesto. Mani-
festo carried 12 stone 2 lbs.,
when he won the event in 1899, but
when he won three years previously
he was carrying only 11 stone 8 lbs.

It will be long, we see, such
another horse as Manifesto riding
over the steeple.

Thousands of people know the
Grand National course, but no one
can really appreciate its amazing
difficulties for horses, and those who
have not walked or ridden over the
ground. The view you get of the
course from the stands does not
convey the impression of what it is
like to ride a horse and jump all
the first jump, a then fence 11
ft. high and 27 ft. 9 in. wide is the
most difficult of all.

Becher's Brook is the sixth jump
a then fence 11 ft. 3 in. high

GOLF

GREAT PLAYERS' ATTACKS

OF NERVES

Men's terror on the links shows
itself in many different and
strange ways. Often the attack
comes on suddenly, without warn-
ing, and nearly always at a
critical stage, sometimes the
symptoms are spread over a long
period, growing more pronounced
at each step, until they end in
complete collapse. So far as great
golfers are concerned, the most
remarkable instance of "nerves"
that has been under my notice
(writes the golf correspondent of
the Observer) is that of Mitchell.
Here was a man who, at Deal in
1920, had the championship, in
the hollow of his hand and yet he
was destroyed utterly by a species
of fright that to this day has
remained a mystery. While in
the grip of the malady he com-
plained that the whole of the left
side of his body had become numb
and that he scarcely knew what he
was doing. His golf was certainly
symptomatic of his condition. I
feel convinced that ever since that
Mitchell has felt the effects of
that terrible and tragic experi-
ence. "Twice he has quitte in a
championship, once in America
and once in this country, while on
numerous occasions he has admit-
ted that "nerves" have got the
better of him.

What further proof do we re-
quire of the tremendous, often
overwhelming, part that nerves
play in golf than the facts sup-
plied in the case of Vardon. For
several years the greatest golfer
that ever lived has at intervals
been attacked by what is known
as putting paralysis. Vardon be-
lieves that some wayward muscle
in the right forearm is responsible
for the distressing condition.

But is it not a want of proper
co-ordination between mind and
body that is responsible for the
symptoms? Only the other day
a London scratch golfer told me
that he had encountered a strange
phenomenon—a hiatus; a kind of
mental blank when he should have
been in the process of performing
a definite action in the golf stroke.

In other words, what he really
meant was that the message sent
out from the brain was not picked
up by the body's motor muscles.

I daresay that in no sphere of
life is the problem of the relation
of mind to matter presented in
more acute shape than on the golf
course. Is there a golfer who
would not say, "If I could, I
would know that it is not a
lack of strength or always a
want of skill that prevents us
doing that of which we are ca-
pable. The mind is at fault. But
why is it that the mind cannot or
will not make proper use of our
strength and our skill? Braid has
said that the optic nerve works
more quickly than the mind, and
that, in consequence, disturbing
elements are often introduced into
the shot. I do not know on what
authority Braid makes this state-
ment—perhaps it is based on long
experience—but it may be reason-
ably asked: Why is it the mind
does not control the eye? Hagen
may in all this find a satisfactory
explanation for his sudden attack
of "cold feet." Anyhow, he has
been singularly unsuccessful in
his encounters with Duncanson
and Mitchell. Twice in four months,
with large issues at stake, the
British combination has triumphed.
Hagen and MacDonald Smith
are to make another attempt in a
week or so.

with a brook on the other side of
it 11 ft. wide. Becher's
accounts for many spills; for there
is a drop there of some six feet to
add to the hazard, while running
Becher's Brook close is Valentino's
Brook.

The eighth jump occurs at the
"Grand Turn." It has a big ditch on
the take-off side, and it involves a
twist that brings many horses to
grief.

And many who do not come to
grief there fall at the water jump—
a fifteen feet jump.

In the full four and a half miles
a horse who makes the course has to
take successfully no less than thirty-
four fences all of them steep jumps.

Indeed, there are many who hold that
it is not the jump but the "water"
which is the real test of a horse's
courage. It calls for the very best
of both rider and mount to cross
the water.

Many sportsmen would not be
sorry to see modifications. Now is
the time when no bad accident
more the great race. But it is an
unlikely that the Grand National will
change while Englishmen watch
horse flesh and the art of courage
which is needed to enter for the
great event.

BOXING

WHY FIGHTS BECOME MERE

SCRAMBLES.

To-day the boxer who is pre-
paring for a big fight takes a daily
course of calisthenics, and because
he feels well he thinks he is fit;
but if he were put to the test he
would not last eighty minutes of
a strenuous match at Rugby foot-
ball.

No man who has not trained
seriously and systematically for an
athletic contest, such as a
boxing match, can have any idea
of the strain that the work im-
poses upon the temper, the body
and the spirit.

That superb boxer the late
Charlie Mitchell hated training;
so did Corbett. As for the great
John L. Sullivan, it was unsafe to
approach him during the first few
days of his preparation.

But in those days boxers really
trained so that they might be able
to "come through" a test of
endurance that would break most
of our modern pugilists and put
them out of the business for good.

Corbett devoted two whole
months to getting ready for his
epic battle with Peter Jackson,
which lasted sixty-one rounds and
ended in a draw. Fitzsimmons was
such a glutton for preparatory
work that he had to have trainers
in relays.

Dempsey, the present world's
champion, stated when he was
last in London that while he
enjoyed the hard work of train-
ing, the monotony of it, with ever
a chance of defeat at the end, was
extremely difficult to bear.

As Corbett—who was, barring
Peter Jackson, the cleverest big
man that ever put up a hand—
attributes Dempsey's present
high position to his fine physical
condition rather than to his
boxing ability, the value of the
right kind of training is made
manifest.

The modern boxer does very
little walking and running on the
roads, whereas the men of Corbett
and Mitchell's day did far more
of their work in the open than they
did in the gymnasium. Rightly
enough, they felt that they did
not require boxing lessons, but
perfect physical fitness.

It is no unusual thing nowadays
to see a boxer, supposed to be in
training for a big event, amusing
himself at a dance palace or a
music-hall in the evening. In the
old days a trainer would have con-
sidered it simply suicidal to let
his man "off the hooks" in this
way.

There would be much less cause
to complain about the poor quality
of modern boxing were our pro-
fessionals to pay more attention
to training. The reason why we
see so many unsatisfactory fights
is that the boxers know them-
selves to be unfit, and conse-
quently they try to struggle
through anyhow. They have
neither the confidence nor the
pugnacity which perfect physical
fitness gives. They are afraid of
being hurt, and resort to all sorts
of disgusting subterfuges to avoid
punishment. Result, more often
than not, a scramble that would
disgrace two schoolboys.

There stands out in my memory
a case in which perfect physical
fitness produced one of the great-
est displays of boxing I have ever
seen. That was the encounter
between Dick Burge and Eddie
Connelley at the old Olympic Club,
Birmingham, many years ago.
The police stopped it after eleven
rounds.

Burge, who hated training as
much as most men in his pro-
fession, was compelled to come at
10 stone or forfeit £500. The
task of getting his superfluous
flesh off made a new man of
Burge, and he fought that night
as he had never fought before—
and Burge, it must be remem-
bered, was the leading light-weight
of his day.

Defence seems to be almost a
lost art with the modern boxer.
As a rule he knows little about
footwork and the art of evading
the blows aimed at him. He pre-
fers to adopt the stupid American
crouch—the Americans have
almost discarded it—which robs
him of his balance, his judgment
of distance, and his ability to
deliver a blow with all his weight
and strength behind it.

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supremacy at boxing until the
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The monsoon will moderate. Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.12 inch. Total since January 1st, 12.60 inches, against an average of 6.10 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending on April 1st.

- 1.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, fresh to moderate.
- 2.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocke, E. winds, fresh to moderate; overcast, rain, fog.
- 3.—Hongkong to Gap Rock, E. winds, fresh to moderate; overcast, rain, fog.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, E. winds, fresh to moderate; overcast, rain, fog.

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DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

MARCH 31, 1925.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.	
					Direction.	Force.
Widdowstock	6 a.	30.08	33	82	E	2
Nemuro	5	29.39	—	—	WNW	3
Yokohama	5	30.18	—	—	WNW	3
Tokio	5	30.06	—	—	NW	3
Yokohama	5	30.18	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	5	30.14	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima.	5	30.10	—	—	NW	1
Dalima	5	30.14	—	—	SE	1
Naha	5	30.08	—	—	NNE	1
Shanghai	5	30.08	—	—	SE	1
Chifu	5	30.18	—	—	SE	1
Chaofoo	6 a.	29.97	44	53	SE	2
Hankow	5	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	5	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	5	30.07	46	53	SE	1
Tientsin	5	30.08	46	53	SE	1
Shanghai	5	30.01	46	56	—	—
Amoy	9 a.	29.93	59	61	—	0
Swatow	8	—	—	—	—	—
Taihook	5	29.97	51	57	—	0
Taihook	5	29.98	51	—	—	0
Taihook	5	29.94	51	—	N	4
Koshien	5	29.97	51	—	—	0
Shanghai	5	29.97	59	—	W	1
Danton	5	—	—	—	—	—
Ho koon	5	29.86	59	51	E	6
Gap Rock.	5	29.64	—	—	E	6
Maaco	5	29.82	61	58	NNE	4
Wachoo	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—
Chifu	5	—	—	—	—	—
Caullon	7 a.	29.64	63	100	SE	1
Yokohama	5	29.81	70	—	SE	3
Yokohama	5	29.79	77	—	E	6
Yokohama	5	29.68	73	91	NE	6
Yokohama	5	29.65	78	91	NE	6
Yokohama	5	29.64	78	91	NE	1
Yokohama	5	29.61	77	91	NE	1
Yokohama	5	29.61	77	91	NE	1
Yokohama	5	29.78	77	89	N	4
Yokohama	5	29.73	77	89	ENE	4
Yokohama	4.20	—	—	—	—	—
Yokohama	4.47	29.79	73	64	ENE	4
Yokohama	4.47	29.79	73	64	ENE	4